

**SEVENTIETH**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**OF THE**

**Town Officers**

**OF**

**Southborough, Massachusetts**

**For the Year Ending December 31**

**1943**



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**DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS, 1943 — App**

Department	March Appropriation	From E. & D. Special Meetings	Balances Held From 1942	Transfer From Reserve Fund	Trans From Mach
Advisory Board	\$5.00	\$	\$5.33	\$	\$
Planning Board	50.00				
Selectmen	650.00				
Civilian Defense	1,000.00		13.34		
Accounting Department	620.00				
Treasurer	955.00		12.50		
Collector	930.00				
Tax Title Expense	50.00				
Town Clerk	535.00			15.00	
Election and Registration	465.00				
Assessors	1,095.00				
Legal Expense	480.00				
Town Hall Maintenance	1,400.00				
Ration Board	100.00				
Police Department	3,345.00		15.66	205.00	
Fire Department Maintenance	1,856.00		8.38		
Fire Department Equipment			226.80		
Fire Department Salaries	2,280.00				
Forest Fires and Equipment	725.00			350.00	
Hydrant—Snow Removal	50.00				
Moth Department	1,000.00				
Tree Warden	590.00				
Tree Warden—Private Work	50.00			75.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	205.00				
Board of Health	1,480.00		125.37		
Inspector of Animals	120.00				
Street and Traffic Lights	4,025.00		15.02		
Road Machinery Fund			931.25		
Highway—Chapter 81	6,900.00		2,776.42		
Highway—Equipment, Maint.	1,235.00		59.13		
Highway—Snow Removal	2,220.00				
Highway—Special Maint.	1,200.00		23.85		
Highway—Chapter 90 Maint.	700.00				
Southville-Hopkinton Bridge			1,000.00		
Street Drainage	1,000.00				
Public Welfare	5,500.00		33.33		
Aid to Dependent Children	1,800.00				
Old Age Assistance	12,000.00		202.91		
Old Age Assistance—Fed. Grant					
Soldiers' Relief	5,000.00				
Military Aid			100.00		
Schools	44,486.00		1,045.70		
High School Toilets			311.00		
Trade School Tuition	800.00		46.92		
School Repairs	2,500.00				
Library	1,644.31				
Water Department Maint.	6,900.00		350.79		
Reserve Fund	2,500.00				
Fayville Hall	575.00				
Common, Town House Grounds	185.00			50.00	
Town Reports	400.00				
Liability Insurance	918.92			134.78	
Fire Insurance	759.48				
War Damage Insurance	339.80				
Memorial Day—Am. Legion	150.00				
Memorial Day—V. of F. W.	15.00				
Worc. County T. B. Hospital	2,133.63				
Selectmen's Playground Fund	300.00				
Town Honor Roll			15.08	50.00	
Cemetery Maintenance	3,100.00				
Interest on Debt	8,702.50				
Debt Retirement	3,000.00				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$141,025.64</b>				

\*Loan.

†Dog Money.  
\*\*\$12,000.00 from Water Surplus.

appropriations, Transfers, Expenditures, Balances

Transfer Road Fund	From Highway Equip.	From U. S. Gov., State County, etc.	Total Available	Total Expended	Bal. Held to Pay Outstanding Bills & Contracts	Transfers to Other Accounts	Unexpended Balance to E. & D.
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
			\$10.33	\$7.72	\$2.18		.43
			50.00	5.00			45.00
			650.00	617.96	5.00		27.04
*500.00		1,513.34	646.30	60.50			806.54
			620.00	620.00			
			967.50	908.07			59.43
			930.00	918.19			11.81
			50.00	16.95			33.05
			550.00	540.94			9.06
			465.00	463.81			1.19
			1,095.00	801.58	148.40		145.02
			480.00	355.00			125.00
			1,400.00	1,399.33			.67
			100.00	95.47			4.53
			3,565.66	3,531.40	33.26		1.00
			1,864.38	1,269.68	594.70		
			226.80				226.80
			2,280.00	2,225.73			54.27
			1,075.00	1,075.00			
			50.00	21.50			28.50
			1,000.00	912.65	78.23		9.12
			590.00	513.50	52.35		24.15
			125.00	83.20			41.80
			205.00	184.79			20.21
			1,605.37	1,471.86	102.25		31.26
			120.00	100.00	19.91		.09
			4,040.02	3,613.78	263.99		162.25
1,171.28			2,102.53		+2,102.53		
			9,676.42	9,531.52	39.55		105.35
			1,294.13	689.74	52.13		552.26
			2,220.00	2,152.42	32.18		35.40
			1,223.35	937.16	106.89		179.30
			700.00	468.72			231.28
			1,000.00		1,000.00		
			1,000.00		1,000.00		
			5,533.33	3,307.33			2,226.00
			1,800.00	1,353.63			446.37
			12,202.91	11,229.50			973.41
7,753.79			7,753.79	7,060.64			693.15
			5,000.00	4,167.27			832.73
			100.00	14.00			86.00
			45,531.70	44,389.96	1,062.21		.79.53
			311.00	200.00			111.00
			846.92	636.24	46.92		163.76
			2,500.00	1,521.75	900.00		78.25
‡645.69			2,290.00	2,241.03			48.97
			7,250.79	6,989.82	164.02		96.95
			2,500.00			879.78	1,620.22
			575.00	424.04	70.04		80.92
			235.00	226.73			8.27
			400.00	400.00			
			1,053.70	1,053.70			
			759.48	759.48			
			339.80	339.80			
			150.00	128.10			21.90
			15.00		9.00		6.00
			2,133.63	2,133.63			
			300.00	300.00			
			65.08	34.96			30.12
			3,100.00	2,980.67	119.38		8.58
			8,702.50	8,693.92			
**12,500.00			15,500.00	15,500.00			
			\$21,399.48	\$171,794.46	\$152,265.17	\$8,065.57	\$879.78
				\$500.00 from E. & D.			\$10,583.94

†Reserve—Available for New Equipment and Repairs.

## TOWN WARRANT

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, ss.

February 26, 1944

To either of the Constables of the Town of Southborough,  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you  
are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of  
the Town of Southborough, qualified to vote in elections and  
Town affairs, to meet in the Town House in said Southbor-  
ough, on

**Monday evening, March 13, 1944**

at seven o'clock, then and there to take action on the follow-  
ing Articles:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said  
meeting.

Article 2. To hear the reports of the various Town Of-  
ficers and Committees or do or act thereon.

Article 3. To raise such sums of money as may be nec-  
essary for the Town's use and make appropriation of the  
same.

Article 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Town  
Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow  
money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of  
the financial year beginning January 1, 1944, and to issue a  
note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to re-  
new any note or notes as may be given for a period of less  
than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of  
the General Laws, as amended, and pass any vote or take  
any action in relation thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Board  
of Assessors, subject to the written authority of the Com-  
missioner of Corporations and Taxation, to use free cash in  
the Town Treasury, and if so, what sum, for the purpose of

reducing the amount to be raised and assessed as taxes in 1944, or pass any vote relative thereto.

Article 6. To see what disposition shall be made of the dog money.

Article 7. To see if the Town will accept contributions from the Saint Mark's School and the Fay School, if any, and determine what disposition shall be made of the same if accepted, or do or act thereon.

Article 8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to defray the expenses of Memorial Day, May 30, 1944, observance, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by Leo L. Bagley Post, No. 161, the American Legion.)

Article 9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$15.00 for the Memorial Day, May 30, 1944 observance exercises, under the auspices of the Choate Post 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by Choate Post 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars.)

Article 10. To see if the Town will authorize the sum of \$250.00 to be expended from the Cemetery Reserve Fund: \$150.00 for the purchase of loam, the payment of labor, etc., and \$100.00 for the maintenance of the Old Cemetery: or otherwise do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Cemetery Commissioners.)

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the purchase of Concrete Grave Liners, to be carried in stock and sold to lot owners as needed. These liners will take the place of pine boxes, thereby saving the Town the expense of filling sunken graves. (Proposed by the Cemetery Commissioners.)

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars for private work on the so-called George B. Herrick and Dr. Roland Newton Cemetery Lots, such sum to be expended under the supervision of the Cemetery Commissioners, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Cemetery Commissioners.)

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept granite curbing valued at \$700.00 from the owners of the George B. Herrick and Dr. Roland Newton Cemetery Lots, and au-

thorize the Cemetery Commissioners to use said curbing as they deem advisable, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Cemetery Commissioners.)

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to change Article I, Section 1 of the Town By-laws to read as follows: The annual Town Meeting for the transaction of business, except the election of Town Officers and the voting upon questions as required by general or special law shall be held on the second Monday of March at seven o'clock in the afternoon. The election of Town Officers and the voting on questions as required by general or special law shall be held on the third Monday of March. The polls shall be opened from six o'clock A. M. to eight o'clock P. M. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the purchase of a power sand spreader for the Highway Department or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Superintendent of Streets and the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500.00 for the purchase of a Motor Grader for the Highway Department or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Superintendent of Streets and the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to take \$25,000.00 from surplus for the purchase of War Bonds to establish a Post War Rehabilitation Fund in accordance with Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1943, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Town Treasurer.)

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the use of the Planning Board in 1944, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Planning Board.)

Article 19. To see what action the Town will take in regard to establishing a waiting station at Fayville. (Proposed by Florence J. Trioli and ninety-eight others.)

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for private tree work, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Tree Warden.)

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the action taken under Article 25 of the Annual Town Meeting held Monday, March 9, 1942 and vote that any sum appropriated thereunder be returned to the Treasury, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Advisory Committee.)

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the action taken under Article 19 of the Annual Town Meeting held Monday, March 9, 1942, which permitted use of Government Administration money under Old Age Assistance to be used for any member of the Board of Public Welfare doing the actual detail work of investigation for the bureau of Old Age Assistance. (Proposed by the Board of Public Welfare.)

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,585.00 for Highway Equipment and Maintenance, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Superintendent of Streets and the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,900.00 for maintenance of Chapter 81 roads, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Superintendent of Streets and the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 Highways; said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Superintendent of Streets and the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 26. To see if the Town will take any action regarding the relocating of the Town Dump, and make appropriation therefor, and appropriate money for the upkeep thereof, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to investigate the need of a Garbage Disposal System and to find out the cost of maintaining one. (Proposed by the League of Women Voters.)

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 3A of Chapter 115 (Tercentenary Edition) of the Gen-

eral Laws, which states, in part: "In a city or town which has duly accepted this section, no almoner or member of the Board of Public Welfare, or officer performing similar duties, or an agent of any of them, shall directly or indirectly act as agent or disbursing officer of the aldermen or selectmen for the payment of state military or soldiers' relief . . ." (Proposed by Choate Post 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars.)

Article 29. To see if the Town will appoint a Post-War Planning Committee and appropriate one thousand dollars for the necessary expenses that may be incurred by such committee, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to install a drainage system which will be adequate to drain the property bounded on the north by Main Street, on the east and South by land of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, and on the west by the road leading by the Southborough Garage, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Mary G. Firmin and 15 others.)

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for Playground activities, managed under the direction of the Selectmen, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by Mary E. McCann and 10 others.)

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,123.37 to pay the assessment of the County Commissioners for care and maintenance, in connection with the Worcester County Tuberculosis Hospital District, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 33. To see what action the Town will take regarding the acceptance of a new street leading off of Lyman Street, a distance of approximately 600 feet, known as Hillside Avenue, situated between the houses of Charles H. Newton, Joseph Trioli, and Margaret A. Salmon, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by William G. Salmon.)

And to notify the inhabitants of the First Precinct of the said Town of Southborough, qualified to vote in elections, to meet in the Town House in said Southborough, and the in-

habitants of the Second Precinct of the said Town to meet in the South Union School, on

Monday, March 20, 1944

then and there at those places to bring in their votes to the Election Officers of the respective Precincts for: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, one member of the Board of Selectmen for the term of three years, one member of the Board of Assessors for the term of three years, one member of the School Committee for the term of three years, one member of the Board of Water Commissioners for the term of three years, one member of the Board of Public Welfare for the term of three years, one member of the Board of Health for the term of three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for the term of three years, two members of the Board of Trustees of the Library for the term of three years, one member of the Board of Trustees of the Library for two years, one member of the Planning Board for the term of five years, and a Tree Warden for one year.

The Polls in each Precinct will be open at six o'clock in the morning and will be closed at four o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

And you are to give notice hereof by posting true and attested copies of this warrant at the Town Hall, the Fayville Hall, all the Railroad Stations in the Town, the Post Offices in Southborough, Fayville, Cordaville and Southville seven days at least before the time appointed for such meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before the time set for said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-sixth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

ARTHUR L. HOSMER  
GEORGE A. LABARRE  
GEORGE H. BURNETT

Board of Selectmen

**ANNUAL REPORT**

OF THE

**Advisory Committee**

OF

**Southborough, Massachusetts**

**For the Year 1944**



## **REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR 1943**

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February 5, 1944

To the Citizens of Southborough:

Your Advisory Committee wishes to deviate from its customary procedure in presenting its annual report for it deems it advisable to inform the citizens of the method used in arriving at its recommendations. Upon receipt, a budget request is carefully checked over by the six members of the board. Whenever a question arises, as is often the case, the board submitting said budget is asked to meet with us. Together the items in question are discussed. If possible, we have a follow up procedure, in which case one or more members of the Advisory Committee conducts an investigation and reports to the full committee. If, after careful study and consideration, we believe that the items in question are not warranted or are unnecessary, we disapprove them. However, this disapproval does not preclude their consideration at the town meeting, since both the requested sums and the recommended sums are shown in our report. Whenever possible the differences of opinion between the requesting board and your Committee are ironed out and an agreement is reached before town meeting.

The duties of your Committee, as set forth in the Town By-laws, are, in substance, to consider all matters involving expenditures of money, creation of debt or disposition of town property included within the articles of any town warrant. When we perform these duties we endeavor at all times to act in the best interest of the voters and at the same time to attempt to keep the various town departments operating at utmost efficiency. Realizing that each voter cannot investigate and inquire into all the expenditures of the various town departments, we feel we are acting for each individual taxpayer and citizen. With this thought in mind we have earnestly endeavored to make decisions which we felt would reflect the will of the majority.

For the year 1943 the amount appropriated for the Reserve Fund was \$2500. Of this only \$879.78 was transferred. This is a remarkable showing when one realizes that for the past six years the average yearly transfer from the Reserve Fund has been \$2289.99. The credit for this fine record belongs to the majority of the town departments.

Article 3. Under this article come all the appropriations for the general government of the Town, and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee are shown in tabulated form, as a part of this report.

A recommendation will be made at the Town meeting on March 13 on the following articles:

Articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, 31, 32.

	Item	1943 Appropriation	1943 Expended	1944 Requested	1944 Recommended
Advisory Committee	1	\$5.00	\$4.57	\$15.00	\$15.00
Planning Board	2	50.00	5.00	50.00	50.00
Treasurer	3	955.00	910.46	904.00	875.00
Collector	4	930.00	918.19	901.50	901.50
Town Clerk	5	535.00	547.94	560.00	560.00
Election and Registration	6	465.00	463.81		
Salary				100.00	80.00
All Other Expenses				764.00	764.00
		\$2,940.00	\$2,849.97	\$3,294.50	\$3,245.50
Assessors	7	1,095.00	949.98	1,145.00	1,145.00
Tree Warden	8	590.00	558.05	712.20	712.20
Sealer Weights & Measures—					
Rent & Insurance	9	75.00	100.00	92.22	92.22
Board of Health	10	1,480.00	1,471.86	1,450.00	1,450.00
Water Dept.—Maint.	11	6,900.00	6,989.82		
Salary—Supt.				2,000.00	2,000.00
All Other Expenses				5,572.50	5,572.50
		\$10,140.00	\$10,069.71	\$10,971.92	\$10,971.92
Public Welfare	12	5,500.00	3,810.05	3,500.00	3,500.00
Aid to Dependent Children	13	1,800.00	1,350.91	1,800.00	1,800.00

	Item	1943 Appropriation 12,000.00	1943 Expended 11,229.50	1944 Requested 12,000.00	1944 Recommended 12,000.00
Old Age Assistance	14				
Libraries	15	\$19,300.00 *1,644.31	\$15,890.46 2,241.03	\$17,300.00	\$17,300.00
Salary—Librarian				\$840.00	\$840.00
All Other Expenses				\$1,572.00	**1,572.00
Reserve Fund	16	2,500.00	879.78	2,500.00	2,500.00
Cemeteries—Maint.	17	3,100.00	3,100.00		
Salary—Supt.				1,560.00	1,400.00
All Other Expenses				2,180.00	2,100.00
Tax Title Expense	18	50.00	16.95	50.00	50.00
Selectmen	19	\$7,294.31 650.00	\$6,237.76 622.96	\$8,702.00 No estimate submitted	\$8,462.00 622.96
Accounting	20	620.00	620.00	No estimate submitted	
Salary					500.00
All Other Expenses					120.00
Legal	21	480.00	355.00	No estimate submitted	
Salary					300.00

	Item	1943 Appropriation	1943 Expended	1944 Requested	1944 Recommended
All Other Expenses					55.00
Town House	22	1,400.00	1,399.33	No estimate submitted	
Salary—Janitor					900.00
All Other Expenses					699.33
Police	23	3,345.00	3,564.66	No estimate submitted	
Salary—Chief					365.00
Salary—Patrolmen					1830.00
All Other Expenses					1354.00
Fire Dept.—Maint.	24	1,856.00	1,856.00	No estimate submitted	1,856.00
		\$8,351.00	\$8,417.95	None submitted	\$8,602.29
Fire Dept.—Salaries	25				
Hydrants—Snow Removal	26	2,280.00	2,225.73	No estimate submitted	2,225.73
Moth Extermination	27	50.00	21.50	No estimate submitted	21.50
Salary—Supt.					417.82
All Other Expenses					573.06

	Item 28	1943 Appropriation 725.00	1943 Expended 1,075.00	1944 Requested No estimate submitted	1944 Recommended
Forest Fires & Equip.					
Salary—Warden					50.00
All Other Expenses					1,025.00
Sealer, Weights & Measures	29	130.00	109.75	No estimate submitted	
Salary					75.00
All Other Expenses					34.75
Inspector of Animals	30	\$4,185.00 120.00	\$4,422.86 119.91	None No estimate submitted	\$4,422.86
Salary					100.00
All Other Expenses					19.91
Snow Removal & Equip.	31	2,220.00	2,184.60	No estimate submitted	2,184.60
Highway—Special Maint.	32	1,200.00	1,020.70	No estimate submitted	1,020.70
Street Lighting	33	4,025.00	3,862.75	No estimate submitted	3,862.75
		\$7,565.00	\$7,187.96	None	\$7,187.96

	Item 34	1943 Appropriation 5,000.00	1943 Expended 4,167.27	1944 Requested No estimate submitted	1944 Recommended 4,167.27
Soldiers' Relief					
Civilian Defense	35	1,000.00	677.80	No estimate submitted	100.00
Ration Board	36	100.00	95.47	No estimate submitted	95.47
Trade School Tuition	37	800.00	846.92	No estimate submitted	800.00
Schools	38	44,486.00	43,904.02	No estimate submitted	
Salary—Supt.					1,400.00
Salary—Attendance Officer					25.00
Salary—Janitors					3,924.00
Salary—Nurse					821.00
Salary—Medical					100.00
Salary—Dental					50.00
All Other Expenses					37,584.02
Fayville Hall	39	575.00	424.04	No estimate submitted	
Salary—Janitor					300.00
All Other Expenses					124.04
Town Reports	40	400.00	400.00	No estimate submitted	400.00

	Item	1943 Appropriation	1943 Expended	1944 Requested	1944 Recommended
Common & Town House Grounds	41	185.00	226.73	No estimate submitted	226.73
Liability Insurance	42	\$52,546.00 918.92	\$50,742.25 1,053.70	None No estimate submitted	\$50,117.53 1,053.70
General Insurance	43	759.48	759.48	No estimate submitted	759.48
Interest on Debt	44	8,702.50	8,693.92	No estimate submitted	8,693.92
Debt Retirement	45	15,500.00	15,500.00	No estimate submitted	15,000.00
War Damage Insurance	46	339.80	339.80	No estimate submitted	339.80
		\$26,220.70 \$138,542.01	\$26,346.90 \$132,165.82	None \$40,268.42	\$25,846.90 \$136,156.96

\*Plus \$645.69 from Dog Tax

†Dog Tax for use \$718.20

CHARLES VARY  
KARL SAYLES  
PHILIP W. BURKE, Secretary

FRANCIS LAPINE  
HERBERT HOLMES  
CHARLES FANTONY, Chairman  
Advisory Committee

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# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## Town Officers

OF

### Southborough, Massachusetts

For the Year Ending December 31

1943



SOUTHBOROUGH PRINT SHOP  
SOUTHBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS

## TOWN OFFICERS, 1943

### TOWN CLERK

Charles L. Fairbanks

### TREASURER

Charles H. Lane

### COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Marjorie F. McDonald

### TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Fred W. Bridges

### SELECTMEN

George A. Labarre	Term expires March, 1944
Arthur L. Hosmer	Term expires March, 1945
George H. Burnett	Term expires March, 1946

### ASSESSORS

Thomas P. Featherstone	Term expires March, 1944
Ralph H. Clark	Term expires March, 1945
Herbert E. Banfill	Term expires March, 1946

### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Ruth W. Harrington	Term expires March, 1944
Helen Burnett	Term expires March, 1945
Robert H. Johnson	Term expires March, 1946

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Edmund H. Bullard	Term expires March, 1944
Paul J. Redmond	Term expires March, 1945
James G. Stockell	Term expires March, 1946

### CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Patrick J. O'Reilly	Term expires March, 1944
Edward C. Ramsdell	Term expires March, 1945
John J. O'Reilly	Term expires March, 1946

### BOARD OF HEALTH

Hugh Folsom	Term expires March, 1944
Roumelia H. Borst	Term expires March, 1945
James F. Telfer	Term expires March, 1946

### WATER COMMISSIONERS

Aubrey C. Allen	Term expires March, 1944
Charles H. Newton	Term expires March, 1945
Clarence E. Baker	Term expires March, 1946

### TRUSTEES OF LIBRARY

Marion F. Brinley	Term expires March, 1944
Beatrice Marr	Term expires March, 1944
Harrison L. Reinke	Term expires March, 1944
Charles L. Fairbanks	Term expires March, 1945
Albert S. Woodward	Term expires March, 1945
Hazel B. Burke	Term expires March, 1946

### PLANNING BOARD

Edward T. Tedeschi	Term expires March, 1944
Charles H. Newton	Term expires March, 1945
Wallace N. Nelson	Term expires March, 1946
Erwin L. Smith	Term expires March, 1947
J. Russell Wakelin	Term expires March, 1948

### ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Philip W. Burke	Herbert Holmes
Charles Fantony	Francis Lapine
Karl M. Sayles	Charles W. Varey

### INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William H. Onthank

### SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Harold M. Gunsolley, Sr.

### DOG OFFICER

Robert H. Johnson

### TREE WARDEN

Harry Burnett

### REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Elizabeth R. Colleary	Charles L. Fairbanks
Sereno W. Johnson	John H. Maley

### CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

John W. Boland

### SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Robert W. Sealey

BURIAL AGENT  
Merle W. Bogart

PUBLIC WEIGHERS AND WEIGHERS OF COAL  
Charles E. Adams Earl E. Warren  
Joseph Mauro Harold M. Gunsolley

TOWN COUNSEL  
Eleonora F. Burke

POLICE  
James E. Giffin, Chief

Burton B. Derby	Eugene Rossi
Harold M. Gunsolley, Sr.	James F. Telfer
Sylvester I. Hosmer	James A. Trioli
Francis Pessini	Hamilton Armstrong
Frederick Quinn	Elwood K. Gould
Francis E. Ramelli	Alfred R. Watkins
Hamilton Armstrong, Fire Patrol Officer	

CONSTABLES

Herbert E. Banfill	James E. Giffin
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FENCE VIEWERS

Alfred Backlund	John Connors
C. Edward Baker	Rev. Edward W. W. Lewis
Hervey J. Ross	Arnold Pond, Sr.

Phillips D. Jones

FIELD DRIVER  
Norman Johnson

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT  
William H. Onthank

SOLDIERS' RELIEF AGENT  
Merle W. Bogart

FOREST WARDEN  
John W. Boland

FAYVILLE HALL COMMITTEE

Charles H. Nichols Mrs. Eunice Brock Lawrence Pierpont

## REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT FOR 1943

To the Board of Selectmen,  
Southborough, Massachusetts.  
Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the annual report of the financial operations of the town for the year ending December 31, 1943.

F. W. BRIDGES,  
Town Accountant

### REVENUE RECEIPTS, 1943

1. Taxes of 1943:

Polls	\$1,140.00
Personal	16,910.55
Real Estate	62,125.17
Motor Excise	3,952.58
	<hr/> \$84,128.30

2. Taxes of 1942:

Polls	\$4.00
Personal	410.98
Real Estate	11,331.39
Motor Excise	156.55
	<hr/> 11,902.92

3. Taxes of 1941:

Polls	\$2.00
Personal	55.80
Real Estate	4,015.87
Motor Excise	.05
	<hr/> 4,073.22

4. Taxes of 1940:

Personal	\$11.27
Real Estate	79.35

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Motor Excise	.05	
		90.67
5. Tax Title Redemptions:	\$249.99	
		249.99
Total Receipts from Taxes		\$100,445.10

#### FROM GENERAL GOVERNMENT

6. From Commonwealth for:
 

Income Tax	\$12,130.00
Business Corp. Tax	6,585.97
M.D.C. in lieu of taxes	3,416.55
Temp. Aid and Trans.	487.76
Aid to Depend. Child.	473.06
Meal Tax	470.68
Old Age Assistance	7,478.93
	\$31,042.95
7. From Licenses:
 

Liquor	\$1,026.94
Garage	23.00
Innholders	11.00
Junk	10.00
Victualers	27.00
Milk	30.00
All Other	9.50
	1,187.44
8. From Permits:
 

Pipe Permit 1942, 1943	\$100.00
	100.00
9. From Fines:
 

First District Court	\$33.65
	33.65
10. From Federal Grants:
 

Old Age Assistance	\$7,753.79
Aid to Depend. Child.	293.94
	8,047.73
11. From County:
 

Dog Licenses	\$631.92
	631.92

12. From Gifts:  
 St. Mark's School \$2,700.00  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 2,700.00  
 Total from General Government \$43,693.69

**FROM SPECIAL ASSESSMENT**

13. From Moth Assessments:  
 1943 \$155.22  
 1942 29.05  
 1941 7.12  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$191.89

Total from Special Assessments \$191.39

**FROM COMMERCIAL REVENUE**

14. From General Government:  
 Town Hall Rent \$20.00  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$20.00  
 15. From Protection of Persons  
 and Property:  
 Sealer of Weights  
 and Measures \$17.97  
 Tree Warden, priv. work 89.45  
 C. of M. Dept. of Pub.  
 Health—Subsidy 484.99  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 592.41

16. From Highways:  
 C. of M. Highway  
 Contracts \$5,078.29  
 County, Highway Cont. 89.61  
 C. of M. Snow Removal 30.00  
 Individuals, priv. work 12.75  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 5,210.65

17. From Public Welfare:  
 Reimb. by Cities, Towns \$117.45  
 Reimb. by Individuals 308.00  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 425.45

18. From Education:				
C. of M. Supt. Small Towns		\$784.42		
C. of M. Tuition and Transportation		2,347.93		
Other Tuition		368.87		
C. of M. Vocational Education		484.33		
Sale of Stove		2.00		
			3,987.55	
19. From Unclassified:				
Fayville Hall Rent		\$43.00		
Outstanding Checks,				
Not Cashed		52.00		
Refund a/c Comp.				
Insurance		251.26		
			346.26	
20. From Water Dept.:				
Metered Rates		\$18,157.40		
Service Charges		48.07		
Miscellaneous		10.00		
			\$18,215.47	
21. From Cemeteries:				
Sale of Lots, Graves		\$135.00		
Burials		557.25		
Care of Lots		483.00		
Foundations		109.50		
Miscellaneous		8.50		
			1,293.25	
22. From Interest and Costs:				
Interest 1943 Taxes		\$34.76		
Costs 1943 Taxes		34.65		
Interest 1943 M.V. Excise		.66		
Interest 1942 Taxes		316.67		
Costs 1942 Taxes		.70		
Interest 1942 M.V. Excise		1.99		
Interest 1941 Taxes		264.62		
Costs 1941 Taxes		4.35		
Interest 1940 Taxes		12.76		
Interest on Deposits		5.00		

**Interest:**

J. Lowell Bacon Fund	215.10
Willson Charity Fund	62.00
Fay Library Fund	15.28
Cemetery Trust Funds	568.75
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	1,537.29

Total from Commercial Revenue	\$31,628.33
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**NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS****23. Civilian Defense Loan:**

People's National Bank	\$500.00
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	\$500.00

**24. Agency Accounts:**

Dog Licenses for County	\$719.80
Victory and Withhold.	
Tax for Fed. Gov't	2,293.82
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	3,013.62

**25. Trust Funds:**

Cem. Perp. Care Dep.	\$525.00
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	525.00

**26. From Transfers:**

Reserve Fund to—

Town Clerk	\$15.00
Police Dept.	205.00
Forest Fires, Equip.	350.00
Tree Warden, priv.	
work	75.00
Common, Town House	
Grounds	50.00
Liability Insurance	134.78
Town Honor Roll	50.00
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	879.78

**27. Dept. Transfers to**

Water Rates from:

Town Hall	\$18.00
Fire Dept.	18.00
Schools	54.00
Fayville Hall	18.00
Cemetery	18.00
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	126.00

28. Dept. Transfers to Highway Mach. Fund from:	
Chapter 81	\$1,086.53
Chapter 90	69.75
Special Maint.	15.00
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	1,171.28
29. To Cemetery Accounts from Cem. Res. Fund	\$250.00
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	250.00
Total from Non-Revenue Receipts	\$6,465.68

**BALANCES**

Balance on hand and on deposit, December 31, 1942:	
General Cash Account	\$69,821.99
Willson Fund Income	115.83
Fay Library Fund Income	191.85
Rural Cem. Res. Fund	693.69
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	\$70,823.36
Total of Cash Balances, December 31, 1942	\$70,823.36
Total of All Receipts and Balances	\$253,247.55

## PAYMENTS, 1943

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

1.	Advisory Board:	
	Print., Sta., Postage	\$7.72
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		\$7.72
2.	Planning Board:	
	Postage and Stationery	\$5.00
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		5.00
3.	Selectmen:	
	Salary, Selectmen (3)	\$450.00
	Salary, Clerk	75.00
	Selectmen's Expense	35.00
	Clerks Expense	15.00
	Sta., Print., Postage	32.61
	Dues, Selectmen's Ass'n	9.00
	Post Office Box Rent	1.35
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		617.96
4.	Accounting:	
	Salary and Wages	\$583.95
	Sta., Print., Postage	34.70
	Telephone	.35
	Typewriter Repair	1.00
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		620.00
5.	Treasurer:	
	Salary	\$500.00
	Insurance	31.00
	Stationery, Postage	88.42
	Printing, Advertising	10.00
	Surety Bond	225.00
	Ins. on Sealer Equip.	27.15
	Dues, Treas. Ass'n	2.00
	Expense, Treas. Meet.	12.00
	Miscellaneous	12.50
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		908.07
6.	Collector:	
	Salary	\$600.00
	Stationery, Postage	97.29
	Printing, Advertising	42.30

Surety Bonds	152.00
Insurance	20.00
Dues, Collectors Ass'n	2.00
Expense, Coll. Meet.	4.60
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7. Assessors:	
Salaries (2)	\$650.00
Assistants	65.00
Stationery, Postage	46.63
Abstracts	27.95
Pictures a/c Tax Appeal	12.00
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	801.58
8. Town Clerk:	
Salary	\$350.00
Clerk	11.00
Recording Fees	60.50
Admin. Oaths	6.25
Sta., Print., Postage	61.00
Telephone	36.01
Surety Bond	7.50
Ass'n Dues	6.00
All Other	2.68
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	540.94
9. Election and Registration:	
Salary, Registrars (4)	\$80.00
Election Officers	89.00
Other Labor	163.55
Stationery, Postage	45.16
Printing	86.10
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	463.81
10. Tax Title Expense:	
Collectors Costs	\$16.95
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	16.95
11. Legal Dept.:	
Salary, Town Counsel	\$300.00
Fees, Town Counsel	55.00
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	355.00
12. Town Hall:	
Janitor	\$900.00
Fuel	185.33

Light	69.56
Janitor's Supplies	10.09
Repairs	104.00
Telephone	48.85
Water	18.00
Furniture	63.50
	1,399.33
13. Civilian Defense:	
Labor	\$150.68
Telephones	78.54
Light and Power	208.85
Lunches	6.95
Printing	20.75
Stationery, Postage	13.25
Office Supplies	13.43
Surety Bond	5.00
Elec. Work at Tower	40.00
Electric Heater	17.50
Arm Bands, Hats and Insignia	41.41
Film Rental	6.00
Boston Conf. Expense	7.50
All Other	36.44
	646.30
14. Ration Board:	
Supplies	\$15.89
Telephone	66.33
Typewriter Repair	13.25
	95.47
Total Payments for General Government	\$7,396.32

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

15. Police:	
Salary, Chief	\$365.00
Patrolmen's Salaries	1,768.02
Special Police Salaries	14.25
Fayville Officer, Salary	539.15
Dog Officer, Salary	75.00
Dog Officer, Fees	54.00
Repairs, Motor Equip.	112.96

Gasoline, Oil, Etc.	202.47
Auto Ins. and Regist.	96.82
Equipment for Men	3.75
Swimming Pool	154.87
Print., Sta., Postage	6.50
Telephone	104.11
Lock-up Expense	30.25
Robbery Expense	4.25
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	3,531.40

## 16. Fire Dept. Maintenance:

Salaries	\$2,225.73
Other Labor	19.91
Hose	127.40
Rope	9.50
New Equipment	235.00
Repair, Trucks, Equip.	148.23
Gasoline and Oil	52.37
Truck Supplies	11.45
Fuel	220.55
Light	128.67
Gas	40.62
Repairs, Buildings	31.23
Water	18.00
Cleaning Station	15.00
Sta., Print., Postage	2.75
Telephone	101.36
Janitor's Supplies	10.46
Lunches	12.43
Service Flag	5.70
Association Dues	6.00
Exp. at Chiefs Conf.	9.00
Freight	.55
Hospital and Doctor	63.50
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	3,495.41

## 17. Hydrant, Snow Removal:

Labor	\$21.50
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	21.50

## 18. Moth:

Supt. Labor	\$456.46
Other Labor	154.76

Truck and Car Hire	194.40
Light	9.50
Gas, Oil, Supplies	45.22
Equipment	14.30
Repairs	38.01
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	912.65
19. Tree Warden:	
Supt. Labor	\$191.00
Other Labor	78.90
Wardens Salary	25.00
Truck and Car Hire	202.65
Gas and Oil	9.92
All Other	6.03
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	513.50
20. Forest Fires:	
Warden's Salary	\$50.00
Labor, Fighting Fires	705.99
Labor, Fire Patrol	8.50
Trans., Fire Patrol	21.85
Hose	190.00
Gas and Oil	13.41
Repairs	73.75
Lunches	5.50
Doctor	6.00
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	1,075.00
21. Tree Warden, Private Work:	
Labor	\$83.20
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	83.20
22. Sealer of Weights, Measures:	
Salary	\$75.00
Fees	2.00
Supplies	7.79
Rent	75.00
Misc. Expense	25.00
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	184.79
Total of Protection of Persons and Property	\$9,817.45

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

## 23. Board of Health:

Salaries, 1942-1943	\$125.00
Agent	10.00
Sta., Print., Postage	31.53
Telephone	4.50
Nurse	50.00
Slaughtering Inspector, 1942-1943	20.00
Hospitals and Doctors	110.00
Drugs and Medicine	64.00
Transportation	34.98
P. O. Box Rent	1.85
Board and Care, Worc. C'ty San.	990.00
Diphtheria Clinic	30.00
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	\$1,471.86

## 24. Inspector of Animals:

Salary	\$100.00
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	100.00

Total of Health and Sanitation	\$1,571.86
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## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

## 25. Street and Traffic Lights:

Street Lights	\$3,581.38
Traffic Lights	32.40
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	\$3,613.78

## 26. Highway, Special Maintenance:

Labor, Supt.	\$48.67
Labor, Drivers	200.19
Labor, Other	336.63
Hired Equipment	120.00
T. of S. Equip. Rentals	15.00
Broken Stone, Gravel, Etc.	7.33
Equip. Repairs	28.75
Signs	14.30
Posts	3.00

	Small Tools	10.50
	All Other	152.79
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		937.16
27.	Highway, Equip. and Maint.:	
	Labor, Drivers	\$37.72
	Labor, Other	45.56
	Equipment Repairs	115.00
	Gasoline and Oil	175.23
	Ins. and Registration	214.80
	Small Tools	2.25
	Fuel	52.40
	All Other	46.78
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		689.74
28.	Highway, Chap. 81 Maint.:	
	Labor, Supt.	\$1,332.00
	Labor, Drivers	1,499.09
	Labor, Other	2,890.70
	Hired Equipment	573.00
	T. of S. Equip. Rentals	1,086.53
	Broken Stone,	
	Gravel, Etc.	92.66
	Tarvia and Road Oil	1,525.22
	Small Tools	119.90
	Cement Brick	41.65
	Concrete Pipe	178.77
	Cement	5.25
	All Other	186.75
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		9,531.52
29.	Highway, Chap. 90 Maint.:	
	Labor, Supt.	\$90.00
	Labor, Drivers	122.72
	Labor, Other	168.00
	Hired Equipment	12.00
	T. of S. Equip. Rental	69.75
	All Other	6.25
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		468.72
30.	Highway, Snow and Ice Removal:	
	Labor; Supt.	\$322.66
	Labor, Drivers	567.53

Labor, Other	619.69
Gasoline and Oil	117.08
Hired Equipment	16.00
Teams	48.25
Supplies	12.97
Repairs	255.39
Salt	109.25
Sand	83.65
	2,152.42

Total of Highway Payments	\$17,393.34
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#### SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

31. Soldiers' Relief:

Cash Aid to	
Individuals	\$3,035.10
Medical	483.24
Fuel	116.40
Groceries	160.89
Dentist	26.00
Electric Light	20.64
Rent	325.00
	\$4,167.27

Total of Soldiers' Benefit Payments	\$4,167.27
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#### MILITARY AID

32. Military Aid:

Medical	\$14.00
	\$14.00

Total of Military Aid Payments	\$14.00
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#### CHARITIES AND AID

32a. Public Welfare Dept.:

Salaries and Wages	\$310.83
Print., Sta., Postage	1.65
Groceries, Provisions	338.21

Cash Grant to	
Individuals	340.00
Rent	212.00
Subscription	8.00
Association Dues	5.00
P. O. Box Rent	1.20
Equipment Repair	2.00
Travel Expense	7.20
Telephone	.50
Misc. Admin. Expense	.81
Ambulance	8.00
Funeral	100.00
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	\$3,307.33

### **33. Old Age Assistance:**

Cash Aid, Men	\$4,542.32
Cash Aid, Women	12,222.66
Med., Med. Attend.	15.00
Burials	200.00
Board and Care	33.32
Other Cities, Towns	715.26
Admin. Expense:	
Salary	416.13
Telephone	11.00
Travel	92.04
Postage, Stationery	42.41

### 34. Aid to Dependent Children:

Board and Care	\$1,325.33
Med., Med. Attend.	2.00
Admin. Expense:	
Postage, Stationery	.42
Salary	23.12
Travel Expense	2.76

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Total Payments, Charities and Aid . . . . . \$22,951.10

## EDUCATION

## 35. Trade Schools:

Tuition, Boys	\$555.15
Tuition, Girls	81.09
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	\$636.24

## 36. School Dept.:

Committee Salaries	\$300.00
Supt. Salary	1,400.00
Supt. Expense	156.96
Print., Sta., Postage	30.95
Telephone	147.48
Freight and Express	7.04
School Physician	100.00
Equipment, Repairs	176.20
School Dentist	50.00
Teachers' Salaries:	
Penmanship	330.00
High School	12,493.03
Elem. Schools	12,377.37
Music	405.75
Drawing	405.75
High School Books	259.91
High School Supplies	343.40
Elem. School Books	202.11
Elem. School Supplies	655.48
Manual Train. Supplies	206.45
Transp. of Children:	
Busses	5,184.28
Insurance	371.75
Janitors	4,042.68
Fuel	2,065.99
Light	305.69
Building Repairs	989.81
Janitors' Supplies	206.94
Dom. Science Supplies	54.15
Water	54.00
Furniture	48.20
Replace Equip.	131.03
Graduation Expense	26.73
Recreation Supplies	38.74

Salary, School Nurse	811.73
Supplies, School Nurse	10.36
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	44,389.96
37. School Repair Approp.:	
Repairs	\$1,521.75
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	1,521.75
38. 1942 H. S. Repair Contract:	
Balance of Contract	\$200.00
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	200.00
Total of Education Payments.	\$46,747.95

## LIBRARIES

39. Library:	
Librarian's Salary	\$800.00
Assistants' Salaries	122.40
Janitors' Salaries	331.00
Books	417.17
Periodicals	68.90
Transportation	103.00
Book Binding	24.67
Fuel	286.80
Light	32.78
Repairs	23.05
Janitors' Supplies	7.16
Removal of Ashes	17.25
All Other	6.85
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	\$2,241.03

Total of Library Payments	\$2,241.03
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## UNCLASSIFIED ACCOUNTS

40. Memorial Day:	
American Legion	\$128.10
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	\$128.10
41. Town Reports:	
Printing	\$380.00
Distribution	20.00
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	400.00

42.	Insurance:		
	Fire Insurance	\$759.48	
	Firemen's Group Ins.	207.00	
	Workmen's Comp. Ins.	846.70	
	War Damage Ins.	339.80	
			2,152.98
43.	Common and Town House Grounds:		
	Labor	\$175.63	
	Supplies	.30	
	Small Tools	1.85	
	Flags	12.45	
	Painting Flag Pole	20.00	
	New Halyard	7.00	
	Pole Inspection	10.00	
			226.73
44.	Selectmen's Playground Fund:		
	Instructors	\$265.00	
	Supplies	35.00	
			300.00
45.	Fayville Hall:		
	Janitor	\$300.00	
	Fuel	33.51	
	Light	29.48	
	Water	18.00	
	Supplies	3.50	
	Repairs	39.55	
			424.04
46.	Town Honor Roll:		
	Lettering, Material	\$34.96	
			34.96
	Total Payments Unclassified Accounts		\$3,666.81
	PUBLIC SERVICE		
47.	Water Dept. Maintenance:		
	Salaries:		
	Commissioners		
	1942-1943	\$200.00	
	Superintendent	1,999.92	

Registrar, Clerks	173.75
Sta., Print., Postage	119.22
Telephone	62.19
Coll. Surety Bond	10.00
Truck Ins., Reg.	98.07
Gasoline and Oil	182.26
Truck Repairs	153.52
Truck Supplies	12.34
Labor	487.01
Painting Tanks	614.88
Pipe and Fittings	53.05
Meters and Fittings	64.83
Small Tools	28.50
Repairs—Bldgs., Equip.	184.79
Station Supplies	11.52
Chlorine	64.89
Light and Power	2,198.26
Fuel Oil	236.97
All Other	33.85
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	\$6,989.82

Total of Public Service Payments \$6,989.82

## CEMETERIES

#### 48. Cemetery Maintenance:

Salary, Supt.	\$1,379.07
Labor	1,313.12
Equipment	39.09
Repairs	105.26
Gasoline and Oil	9.90
Telephone	42.16
P. O. Box Rent	1.25
Office Supplies	13.00
Engineers Services	25.00
Transportation	.65
Lumber	5.53
Cement	13.90
Water	18.00
Dues, Subscriptions	12.00
Supplies	2.74

\$2,980.67

## 49. Old Cemetery:

Labor	\$92.50
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92.50

## 49a From Cem. Res. Fund:

Labor	\$50.00
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50.00

Total Cemetery Payments

\$3,123.17

## INTEREST

## 50. Interest Payments:

Town Water Loan	\$6,800.00
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School Loan	540.00
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Fayville Water Loan	1,330.00
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Fire Engine Loan	22.50
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Civilian Defense Loan	1.42
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\$8,693.92

Total Payments for Interest

\$8,693.92

## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

## 51. Maturing Debt:

Civilian Defense Note	\$500.00
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Fire Engine Loan	1,000.00
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Water Loan	10,000.00
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Fayville Water Loan	2,000.00
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School Loan	2,000.00
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\$15,500.00

Total Payments for Indebtedness

\$15,500.00

## AGENCY AND TRUST

## 52. Agency:

County Tax	\$4,757.39
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State Tax	2,750.00
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Auditing Mun. Accts.	.25
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State Parks	77.37
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Dog Lic. for County	725.20
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Victory and With-  
 holding Taxes 1,019.69  
 Worcester Cty. T. B. Hosp. 2,133.63  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$11,463.53

53. Trust Investments:  
 Perp. Care Funds Inv. \$700.00  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 700.00

54. Trust Payments:  
 Willson Charity Fund,  
 Income \$50.00  
 Perp. Care, Income 579.45  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 629.45

Total Agency and Trust Payments, Investments \$12,792.98

#### REFUNDS

55. Refunded on Account of:  
 Real Estate Taxes \$70.00  
 Motor Excise Taxes 42.20  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$112.20

Total of Refund Payments \$112.20

Total of All Cash Payments \$163,179.22

56. Transfers from:  
 Reserve Fund to  
 Dept. Accounts \$879.78  
 Cemetery Reserve Fund  
 to Old Cemetery Acct. 250.00  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$1,129.78

Total of All Transfers \$1,129.78

#### BALANCES

57. Balances on hand and  
 on deposit Dec. 31, 1943:  
 General Cash \$87,761.90  
 Willson Fund Income 140.83

Fay Library Fund,		
Income	207.13	
Rural Cemetery Res.		
Fund	828.69	
	—————	\$88,938.55
Total of Cash Balances, Dec. 31, 1943		\$88,938.55
Total of All Payments and Balances		\$253,247.55
Reconciliation of above Cash Balance with Treasurers Cash Balance, as shown in Treasurer's Report:		
Treasurer's Balance		\$85,607.97
Add:		
Jan. 1, 1944 Warrant used by		
Treas. in Dec.	\$3,200.00	
Sept. 1942 Payment without Warrant	53.84	
Tax deductions from Employees		
not used by Treas.	354.59	
Unexplained Difference	.09	
	—————	3,608.52
		\$89,216.49
Deduct:		
Payment to U. S. Gov. April 1, 1943		277.94
Balance per Accountant's Report		\$88,938.55
Note: The Payments shown above are the actual payments made during the year ending December 31, 1943, and do not necessarily represent the total payment charged against the 1943 Appropriation.		

## TRIAL BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 1943

	Dr.	Cr.
General Cash	\$87,761.90	
Willson Fund Cash	140.83	
Fay Library Fund Cash	207.13	
Rural Cemetery Reserve Fund Cash	828.69	
Water Dept. Liens	232.28	
1939 Tax Account	1.70	
1940 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	3.25	
1941 Tax Account	17.00	
1941 Moth Tax	.53	
1942 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	2.00	
1942 Poll Tax	2.00	
1942 Personal Tax	20.05	
1942 Real Estate Tax	1,071.30	
1942 Moth Tax	3.15	
1943 Motor Excise Tax	105.02	
1943 Poll Tax	2.00	
1943 Personal Tax	541.14	
1943 Real Estate Tax	11,758.88	
1943 Moth Tax	47.00	
Water Services and Miscellaneous	517.00	
Water Rates	785.11	
Water Dept. Available Surplus		9,699.98
Tax Title Account	479.37	
1939 Overlay		1.70
1941 Overlay		17.53
1942 Overlay		819.88
1943 Overlay		2,484.37
Overlay Reserve Fund		4,670.20
Revenue, Motor Vehicle Excise		110.27
Special Assessment Revenue		50.68
Departmental Revenue		787.67
Tax Title Revenue		479.37
Water Department Revenue		1,534.39
State and County Aid to Highway Revenue		3,525.76
Accounts Receivable:		
Tree Warden	8.95	
Moth Department	32.20	
Cemetery	223.50	

Police Department	11.00
Highway Department	316.49
Old Age Assistance	195.53
C. of M. Chapter 90 Maintenance	156.24
County of Worc. Chapter 90 Maint.	156.24
C. of M. Chapter 81 Maintenance	3,213.28
<b>Accounts Payable:</b>	
Dog License for County	4.60
C. of M. Parks and Conservation	3.46
County of Worcester, County Tax	328.31
Perp. Care Deposits for Investment	605.00
Dog Licenses from County	631.92
Victory and Withholding Tax	1,274.13
Excess and Deficiency	70,847.81
Advisory Board	2.18
Selectmen	5.00
Civilian Defense	60.50
Assessors	148.40
Police	33.26
Fire Department Maintenance	594.70
Moth Department	78.23
Tree Warden	52.35
Board of Health	102.25
Inspector of Animals	19.91
Street Lights	263.99
Road Machinery Fund	2,102.53
<b>Highway:</b>	
Chapter 81	39.55
Equipment and Maintenance	52.13
Snow Removal and Equipment	32.18
Special Maintenance	106.89
Southville-Hopkinton Bridge	1,000.00
Street Drainage	1,000.00
Willson Charity Fund	140.83
John L. Bacon Fund	536.53
School Department	1,062.21
Trade School Tuition	46.92
School Repairs	900.00
Fay Library Fund	207.13
Water Department Maintenance	164.02

Fayville Hall	70.04
Memorial Day, V. of F. W.	9.00
Highway Account Payable 1934	858.75
Cemetery Maintenance	119.33
Interest on:	
Perp. Care Trust Funds	1,914.24
Lucretia Brigham Fund	42.21
Rural Cemetery Reserve Fund	355.09
Net Bonded Debt	198,000.00
School Loan	10,000.00
Water Loan	160,000.00
Water Loan, Fayville	26,000.00
Fire Equipment Loan	2,000.00
Trust Funds, Cash and Securities	38,081.68
John L. Bacon Fund	10,000.00
Fay Library Fund	1,611.68
Willson Charity Fund	1,000.00
Cemetery Trust Funds	24,470.00
Lucretia Brigham Fund	1,000.00
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Totals	\$345,250.75
	\$345,250.75

**TOWN OF SOUTHBOROUGH, BALANCE SHEET, JANUARY 1, 1944**  
**REVENUE**

ASSET ACCOUNTS		LIABILITY ACCOUNTS	
<b>Cash Balances:</b>		<b>Overlay Balances:</b>	
General Cash Account	\$87,761.90	Year of 1939	\$1.70
Willson Fund Cash	140.83	Year of 1941	17.53
Fay Library Fund Cash	207.13	Year of 1942	819.88
Rural Cem. Res. Fd. Cash.	828.69	Year of 1943	2,484.37
	<hr/>	Overlay Reserve Fund	4,670.20
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			\$7,993.68
<b>Uncollected Tax Accounts:</b>		<b>Unexpended Balances:</b>	
Taxes—Water Liens	\$232.28	Payable to County,	
1939 Tax Account	1.70	Account of Dog Licenses	\$4.60
1940 M. V. Excise Tax	3.25	Payable to C. of M.,	
1941 Tax Account	17.00	Account of Parks & Cons.	3.46
1941 Moth Tax	.53	Perp. Care Dep. for Inv.	605.00
1942 M. V. Excise Tax	2.00	Withholding Tax for	
1942 Poll Tax	2.00	U. S. Government	1,274.13
1942 Personal Tax	20.05	Approp. Balances held to pay	
1942 Real Estate Tax	1,071.30	1943 bills in Jan. 1944	8,065.57
1942 Moth Tax	3.15	Highway Dept. 1934 Acct. Pay.	858.75
1943 M. V. Excise Tax	105.02		
1943 Poll Tax	2.00		<hr/>
			10,811.51

1943 Personal Tax	541.14
1943 Real Estate Tax	11,758.88
1943 Moth Tax	47.00
Tax Titles	479.37
	<u>14,286.67</u>

Accounts Receivable:

Water Services and Misc.	\$517.00
Water Rates	785.11
Tree Warden. Dept.	8.95
Moth Dept.	32.20
Cemetery	223.50
Police Dept.	11.00
Highway Dept.	316.49
Old Age Assistance	195.53
C. of M. Chap. 90 Maint.	156.24
Cty. of Worc. Chap. 90 Maint.	156.24
C. of M. Chap. 81 Maint.	3,213.28
Cty. of Worc. Cty. Tax	328.31
	<u>5,943.85</u>

\$109,169.07

Revenue Accounts:

Motor Vehicle Excise	\$110.27
Special Assessment	50.68
Departmental	787.67
Tax Title	479.37
Water	1,534.39
State & Cty. Aid to Highway	3,525.76
Water Available Surplus	9,699.98
	<u>16,188.12</u>

Trust and Investment Funds,

Income Balances:

Interest on—	
Willson Fund	\$140.83
Bacon Fund	536.53
Fay Library Fund	207.13
Cem. Perp. Care Funds	1,914.24
Lucretia Brigham Fund	42.21
	<u>2,840.94</u>
Rural Cem. Reserve Fund	355.09
1943 Dog License Money from Cty.	631.92
Excess and Deficiency	70,347.81
	<u>\$109,169.07</u>

DEBT STATEMENT, JANUARY 1, 1944

Loan	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1943	Paid in 1943	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1944	Due in 1944	Rate of Interest	Amount of Interest	Interest Due	Due Principal
School 1929-1949	\$12,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$2,000.00	4 1/4 %	\$225.00 225.00	3- 1-44 9- 1-44	9- 1-44
Town Water 1930-1959	170,000.00	10,000.00	160,000.00	10,000.00	4 %	3,200.00 3,200.00	1- 1-44 7- 1-44	7- 1-44
Fayville Fire and Water District 1930-1959	28,000.00	2,000.00	26,000.00	2,000.00	4 1/4 %	617.50 617.50	4- 1-44 10- 1-44	10- 1-44
Fire Equipment Loan 1941-1945	3,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	3/4 %	7.50 7.50	5-15-44 10-15-44	10-15-44
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$213,000.00</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>	<b>\$198,000.00</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>		<b>\$8,100.00</b>		

6400  
 1235  
7630

### INDEBTEDNESS

Net Bonded Debt,  
January 1, 1944

	1929 School and Equipment	\$10,000.00
\$198,000.00	1930 Town Water	160,000.00
	1930 Fayville F. & W. District	26,000.00
	1940 Fire Equipment Loan	2,000.00
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\$198,000.00		\$198,000.00

### TRUST FUNDS

Trust Funds Cash and  
Securities

\$38,081.68	John L. Bacon Fund	\$10,000.00
	Fay Library Fund	1,611.68
	Willson Charity Fund	1,000.00
	Cemetery Trust Funds	24,470.00
	Lucretia Brigham Fund	1,000.00
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\$38,081.68		\$38,081.68

## SALARIES AND WAGE SCHEDULE, YEAR 1943

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<b>Established by the Town</b>	<b>Total</b>
Selectmen (3)	\$450.00
Treasurer	500.00
Collector	600.00
Assessors (2)	650.00
Town Clerk	350.00
Registrars of Voters (4)	80.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	75.00
Overseers of Public Welfare (3)	150.00
Welfare Agent	759.00
Tree Warden	25.00
Board of Health (3)	75.00
Cemetery Commissioners (3)	75.00
School Committee (3)	300.00
<b>Other Salaries and Wages</b>	
Town Accountant	583.95
Clerk, Selectmen	75.00
Fire Dept., Total Salaries	2,225.73
Police Chief	365.00
Night Patrolmen, Total Salaries	1,768.02
Fayville Officer (per week)	13.15
Registrar, Water Dept.	150.00
Forest Fire Warden	50.00
Supt. of Water Dept.	2,000.00
Forest Fire Payrolls (per hour)	.50 and .60
Cemetery Labor (per day)	5.00 and 5.50
Town Labor (per day)	5.00 and 5.50
Dog Officer	75.00
Town Counsel	300.00
Town Hall Janitor	900.00
Fayville Hall Janitor	300.00
School Physician	100.00
School Dentist	50.00
Supt. of Streets	1,800.00

Supt. of Streets, Travel	200.00
Supt. of Cemeteries	1,379.07
Inspector of Animals	100.00
Inspector of Slaughtering	10.00
Southborough School,	
Regular Janitor, per month	143.00
Southborough School, Helper, per hour	.30
Southville School Janitor, per month	100.00
Fayville School Janitor, per month	53.00
Librarian	840.00
Assistant Librarians (Total)	122.40
Janitor, Southborough Library	300.00
Janitor, Southville Library	27.00
Burial Agent	10.00
Water Dept., Clerical—Total	23.75

## INSURANCE POLICIES HELD BY TOWN

(In the possession of the Town Accountant)

American Insurance Co., Policy No. A457286, covering fire, lightning and transportation hazards on motor vehicles of the Street, Fire and Police Depts.

American Insurance Co., Policy No. 354151, fire insurance on the following Town buildings:

Buildings	Insured Value
Town Hall	\$50,000.00
High School	80,000.00
High School Annex	39,000.00
Public Library	37,200.00
Fire and Highway Station, Main Street	16,000.00
South Union School	30,000.00
Fayville Hall and Fire Station	12,000.00
Fayville School	5,400.00
Water and Forestry Dept.	1,600.00
Street Dept. (Rear of Town Hall)	500.00
Southville Fire Station	1,000.00
Tool House and Workshop—Cemetery	600.00
Tool House—Cemetery	400.00
Pumping Station	6,500.00
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	\$280,200.00
Contents of above Buildings	41,300.00
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Total	\$321,500.00

Worcester Mutual Fire Ins. Co., Policy No. N14-47072, fire insurance covering equipment of the Sealer of Weights and Measures, stored in the office of Charles L. Fairbanks. Insured value \$1,500.00.

Travelers Ins. Co., Automobile Policy No. FA3148991, covering Liability and Property Damage on Police Cruiser. Liability \$10,000.00 and \$20,000.00; Property Damage \$5,000.00.

Travelers Ins. Co., Automobile Policy No. FA3148982, covering Liability Insurance and Property Damage on Highway Tractor and Reo Truck. Liability \$5,000.00 and \$10,000.00; Property Damage \$5,000.00.

Travelers Ins. Co., Compensation and Public Liability Policy No. UB1100462, covering: Tree Workers, including Drivers and Chauffeurs; Cemetery Workers, including Drivers and Chauffeurs; Schools, all employees; Road Workers; Water Works, Buildings.

War Damage Corporation, War Damage insurance, covering Town Buildings and contents. Total coverage, \$361,315.00.

Hartford Steam Boiler, Policy No. 11245, covering boilers in the following locations: High School, High School Annex, Central Fire Station, So. Union School, Fayville Hall, Pumping Station, Highway Steam Roller.

Aetna Life Insurance, Policy No. VF1114—Fire Dept. employees group insurance.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Report of the receipts and expenditures of the Town of Southborough for the year ending December 31, 1943.

Cash on hand, January 1, 1943	\$70,537.60
Receipts from all sources	180,105.57

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Expended as per treasury warrants	\$250,643.17
Cash on hand, December 31, 1943	\$165,527.88

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	85,115.29
	\$250,643.17

Itemized lists of receipts has been filed with the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. LANE,  
Treasurer

**John L. Bacon Fund Income**

Cash on hand, January 1, 1943	\$277.68
Interest received during 1943	215.00

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Cash on hand, December 31, 1943	\$492.68
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**Cemetery Perpetual Care Income**

Interest received during 1943	\$563.75
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**Cemetery Perpetual Care Trust Funds**

Total of funds on deposit, January 1, 1943	\$24,065.00
Trust funds received during 1943	500.00

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Total funds on hand, December 31, 1943	\$24,565.00
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Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. LANE,  
Treasurer

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell  
Director of Accounts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Southborough for the period from September 3, 1940, the date of the previous audit, to March 19, 1943, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and checked.

The books and accounts of the town accountant were examined and checked in detail. The ledger was analyzed, the appropriation accounts being checked to the town meeting records of appropriations and transfers voted, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on March 19, 1943.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the collector's records of payments to the treasurer, with the records in the several departments in which charges originated or in which money was collected for the town, and with the other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury. The recorded disbursements were compared with the warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds and with the accountant's books.

The cash book footings were verified, and the bank balances were reconciled with statements furnished by the banks of deposit.

The payments on account of debt and interest were checked with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities on file.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investments of the several trust funds in the custody of the treasurer were examined and listed, the income being proved and the withdrawals verified.

The tax title deeds on hand were examined and listed, the amounts transferred from the tax levies to the tax title account being verified and the tax titles as listed being checked with the records at the Registry of Deeds.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked in detail. The commitments of taxes were compared with the warrants issued by the board of assessors, the recorded abatements were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the recorded collections were checked with the payments to the treasurer as recorded on the treasurer's and the accountant's books, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved with the controlling accounts.

Verification of the outstanding taxes was made by sending notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received it appears that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The records of licenses and permits issued by the selectmen, town clerk, and the health department were examined and checked and the payments to the State and the town were verified.

In checking the paid vouchers on file it was noted that payments have been made by the town to cover premiums on an accident insurance policy for volunteer firemen, although this does not appear to be a purpose for which town funds may be appropriated under Section 5, Chapter 40, General Laws.

The surety bonds of the officials required by law to furnish them were examined and found to be in proper form.

In addition to the departments mentioned, the books and accounts of the sealer of weights and measures, and of the municipal buildings, police, tree warden, moth, highway, public welfare, library, water, and cemetery departments were examined and checked, and the payments to the treasurer were verified.

For the cooperation extended by the several town officials during the process of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,  
Assistant Director of Accounts

### **REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES**

#### **1940 Taxes**

DR.

Uncollected State Audit, March 1943	\$2.00
Interest	.25

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\$2.25

CR.

Paid Treasurer	\$2.25
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#### **1941 Taxes**

DR.

Uncollected State Audit, March 1943	\$2,757.92
Interest and Charges	214.24

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\$2,972.16

CR.

Paid Treasurer	\$2,585.84
Abated	6.20
Tax Titles	360.89
Uncollected	19.23

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\$2,972.16

## 1942 Taxes

DR.

Uncollected 1942 Report	\$18,172.60
Interest and Costs	328.45
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\$13,501.05

CR.

Paid Treasurer	\$12,102.79
Tax Titles	297.36
Abated	2.00
Uncollected	1,098.90
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\$13,501.05

## 1943 Taxes

DR.

Warrants	\$93,541.31
Interest and Charges	69.41
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\$93,610.72

CR.

Paid Treasurer	\$80,400.35
Abated	1,450.83
Uncollected	11,829.54
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\$93,680.72

Refunds	70.00
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\$93,610.72

Uncollected:	
Poll Tax	\$2.00
Personal	541.14
Real Estate	11,286.40
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\$11,829.54

Respectfully submitted,

MARJORIE F. McDONALD,  
Collector of Taxes

**MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX, 1942**

DR.

Uncollected 1942 Report	\$152.85
Interest	1.99
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	\$154.84
Warrant in 1943	47.10
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	\$201.94
CR.	
Paid Treasurer	\$158.54
Abated	46.80
Uncollected	2.00
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	\$207.34
Refunded in 1943	5.40
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	\$201.94

**MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX, 1943**

DR.

Warrants	\$4,039.60
Interest	.69
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	\$4,040.29
CR.	
Paid Treasurer	\$3,942.69
Abatements	7.40
Uncollected	90.20
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	\$4,040.29

Respectfully submitted,

MARJORIE F. McDONALD,  
Collector of Taxes

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 8, 1943.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Articles and proceed with Article 1.

Article 1. Chose George H. Burnett as Moderator.

Article 2. It was voted to accept the Reports of the various Town Officers and Committees, with the exception of Fire Chief which will be taken up later, as printed in the Town Report. Mr. Boland, Chief of the Fire Department, gave a verbal addition to the Fire Chief's Report which was accepted.

Article 3. It was voted to raise and appropriate the following sums of money for the Town's use:

Item			
1.	Advisory Committee		\$5.00
2.	Selectmen		650.00
3.	Accounting		620.00
4.	Legal Expense		480.00
5.	Treasurer		955.00
6.	Collector		930.00
7.	Town Clerk		535.00
8.	Election and Registration		465.00
9.	Assessors		1,095.00
10.	Town House		1,400.00
11.	Police		3,345.00
12.	Fire Dept.—Maintenance		1,856.00
13.	Fire Dept.—Salary		2,280.00
14.	Forest Fires and Equipment		725.00
15.	Hydrants—Snow Removal		50.00
16.	Tree Warden		590.00
17.	Moth Extermination		1,000.00
18.	Sealer of Weights and Measures		130.00
19.	Sealer of Weights and Measures Rent		75.00
20.	Board of Health		1,480.00
21.	Inspector of Animals		120.00
22.	Snow Removal Equipment		2,220.00
23.	Highway—Special Maint.		1,200.00
24.	Street Lighting		4,025.00
25.	Water Dept. Maintenance		6,900.00

26.	Public Welfare	5,500.00
27.	Aid to Dependent Children	1,800.00
28.	Old Age Assistance	12,000.00
29.	Soldiers' Relief	5,000.00
30.	Civilian Defense	1,000.00
31.	Ration Board	100.00
32.	Schools	44,486.00
33.	Trade School Tuition	800.00
34.	Libraries	1,644.31
35.	Reserve Fund	2,500.00
36.	Fayville Hall	575.00
37.	Town Reports	400.00
38.	Common and Town House Grounds	185.00
39.	Liability Insurance	918.92
40.	General Insurance	759.48
41.	Cemeteries—Maintenance	3,100.00
42.	Interest on Debt	8,702.50
43.	It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for Debt Retirement, that \$3,000.00 of this sum be included in this year's tax levy and that the sum of \$12,000.00 be taken from the Water Department available surplus, with the approval of Mr. Long, Commissioner of Corporations.	
44.	Tax Title Expense	50.00
45.	War Damage Insurance	339.80
	From Taxation	\$125,992.01
	From Water Dept.	12,000.00
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		\$137,992.01

Article 4. Voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning Jan. 1, 1943 and to issue a note or notes therefore payable within one year, and to issue a note

or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws as amended. Unanimous vote.

Article 5. It was voted to postpone action on this Article temporarily.

Article 6. It was voted that the dog money in the sum of Six Hundred Forty-Five Dollars and sixty-nine cents (\$645.69) be appropriated for the use of the Library.

Article 7. Voted that the Town accept contributions from the St. Mark's School and the Fay School and that they be placed in the Town Treasury for general purposes.

Article 8. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to defray the expenses of Memorial Day, May 30, 1943 observance, by the Leo L. Bagley Post, American Legion.

Article 9. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$15.00 for the Memorial Day, May 30, 1943 observance exercises, under the auspices of the Choate Post 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Article 10. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the use of the Planning Board in 1943.

Article 11. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars for private tree work, Tree Warden Department.

Article 12. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for Playground activities to be managed under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Article 13. Voted that a sum not exceeding \$250.00 be taken from the Cemetery Reserve Fund; \$150.00 thereof for the purchase of loam, the payment of labor etc., and \$100.00 for the maintenance of the Old Cemetery.

Article 14. It was voted that the Town reduce the annual salary of the Board of Public Welfare from \$400.00 to \$150.00.

Article 15. It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to be used for the purpose of necessary repairs on the Peters High School Building. Mr. Hutt's amendment to the above motion was lost.

Article 16. It was voted that the sum of \$1,235.00 be raised and appropriated for Highway Equipment and Maintenance.

Article 17. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated in conjunction with any money allowed under Chapter 81 Highways, to defray the cost of installing a drainage system for surface waters from the highways, Winchester and East Main Streets, adjacent to the houses of Mary Irene and Gertrude E. Salmon.

Article 18. Voted to dismiss the Article.

Article 19. Voted to dismiss the Article.

Article 20. Voted that the sum of \$6,900.00 be raised and appropriated for maintenance of Chapter 81 roads.

Article 21. Voted that the sum of \$700.00 be raised and appropriated for the maintenance of Chapter 90 Highways; said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose.

Article 22. It was voted that the sum of \$2,133.63 be raised and appropriated to pay the assessment of the County Commissioners for care and maintenance, in connection with the Worcester County Tuberculosis Hospital District.

It was voted to take up Article 5 at this time.

Article 5. Voted that the Board of Assessors be and are hereby authorized, subject to the written authority of the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation, to use free cash in the Town Treasury a sum not to exceed \$10,000.00 for the purpose of reducing the amount to be raised and assessed as taxes in 1943. Unanimous vote.

Voted to dissolve the meeting.

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT, 1943

Births Registered, Males	23
Births Registered, Females	18
Marriages Recorded	26
Deaths Recorded, Males	18
Deaths Recorded, Females	12
Dogs Licensed, Males and Spayed Females	226
Dogs Licensed, Females	38
Kennel Licenses	5
Paid Town Treasurer	\$713.20
License Fees	\$53.80
Marriage Intention Fees	\$48.00
Sporting Licenses Issued	90
Paid Department of Conservation	\$165.75
License Fees	\$21.75
Birth Certificate Fees	\$9.50
Recording Mortgages	\$22.00
Vital Statistics	\$70.00

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## BIRTHS, 1943

- Jan. 10 Stuart Robert Readio, son of Ellis and Avonia
- Jan. 14 Patricia Ann Hooper, daughter of Luther C. and Madeline
- Jan. 31 John Lewis Mitchell, son of Henry John and Helen Jane
- Feb. 16 Earl Edward Warren, Jr., son of Earl and Alice E.
- Mar. 3 Charles Alexander MacMillan, son of Malcolm A. and Lillian
- Mar. 15 Ernest Hedley Card, Jr., son of Ernest H. and Marian R.
- Mar. 17 Patricia Ann Blazejewski, daughter of Charles J. and Ann
- Mar. 21 Bruce Roy McMurrough, son of John L. and Evelyn J.

- Mar. 21 Lee Edward Packard, son of Leon A. and Agnes M.  
Apr. 12 Richard Homer Letarte, son of Homer R. and Lucille A.  
Apr. 14 John MacIntosh Callaway, Jr., son of John Mac-Intosh and Margaret  
Apr. 16 Joseph Stanley Sheppard, 3rd, son of J. Stanley and Virginia M.  
Apr. 20 David George Backlund, son of Alfred A. and Dorothy M.  
Apr. 28 Charles Peter Rossi, son of Charles A. and Margaret T.  
Apr. 28 Richard Paul Ostresh, son of Paul and Angeline  
Apr. 30 Sheila Benedict, daughter of Walter L. and Patricia  
May 6 Randall Francis Gordon, son of Harry W. and Laurette D.  
May 12 Stanley Ellis Norcross, son of Howard P. and Gladys V.  
May 16 Martha Ellen Walkup, daughter of Warren and Eleanor  
May 19 Dianne Stephanie Sclavunos, daughter of Steven G. and Angeline F.  
May 20 George Fulton Killam, son of Albert E. and Helen O.  
May 22 David Paul Honen, son of Paul J. and Amelia  
June 3 Sheila Maguire, daughter of Benedict and Catherine  
June 16 Nazzarena Ruth Mazzarelli, daughter of Francis A. and Mabel M.  
June 23 Irene Lena Baldelli, daughter of Henry D. and Lena A.  
June 25 Richard Charles Delarda, son of Angelo P. and Angelina  
July 2 Mary Dianne Queenan, daughter of E. Russell and Martha B.  
Aug. 1 Georgia May Moody, daughter of Carlyle E. and Lois V.

- Aug. 3 John David Henderson, son of Paul P. and Hannah D.
- Aug. 22 Jo Anne Marie Damico, daughter of Joseph M. and Ann I.
- Sept. 7 Robert Kevin Nutt, son of Charles and Dorothy
- Sept. 18 Ann Marie Plasse, daughter of Gerard O. and Evelyn
- Oct. 20 Janet Luise Zuretti, daughter of J. Luis and Marion G.
- Nov. 2 Nancy Anne Baldelli, daughter of Victor A. and Eleanore A.
- Nov. 8 Judith Adline Bauld, daughter of Harold A. and Mary L.
- Dec. 2 Baby Mabie, daughter of William and Ruth
- Dec. 7 Anne Elizabeth Williams, daughter of George H. and Hazel E.
- Dec. 17 Peter Anthony Ambrosini, son of Anthony and Albena
- Dec. 18 Peter Christopher Toppan, son of Phillip M. and Barbara
- Dec. 20 Richard Henry Welch, son of Robert Lee and Helen
- Dec. 27 Sandra Walley Flint, daughter of Frederick N. and Elizabeth H.
- Dec. 30 Lois Ann Brosseau, daughter of Alfred E. and Alice L.

### MARRIAGES, 1943

- Jan. 1 Dwight Milton Lewis, Jr., to Mary Landry Davis
- Jan. 2 Victor Baldelli to Eleanor Sasseville
- Jan. 6 Erhardt Nielsen to Augusta B. Sears
- Jan. 23 Albert A. Cook to Phyllis Banks
- Mar. 28 Lynde G. Williams to Bertha Frances Robblee
- Apr. 29 Candido Anthony Torcoletti to Alphonsina Ada Gasparoni
- Apr. 29 John B. Hurley to Virginia Robiau Clampitte

May 2 William N. Davis, Jr., to Jeanne Offutt  
 May 29 Montgomery S. Bradley to Marcia Williams  
 May 30 Ralph E. Johnson to Beatrice D. Parmenter  
 June 19 Herbert F. Cook to Mava Jeanne Harris  
 June 26 Nelson J. Dion to Mary Elizabeth Misener  
 June 27 Russell F. Johnson to Ruth Drake  
 July 11 Charles Edward McGee to Marie A. Amorelli  
 Aug. 14 Peter Costello to Madeline Boulanger  
 Aug. 28 Clifford George Templeman to Martha L. Palmer  
 Aug. 28 Richard Clark Becker to Eleanor Jean Blake  
 Oct. 10 Francis J. Pereni to Ruth Josephine O'Donnell  
 Oct. 16 George Howard Holbrook to Viola Jane Ruggles  
 Nov. 6 Louis K. Russell to Charlotte M. McCloskey  
 Nov. 7 Albert J. Phillip to Constant Pursse  
 Nov. 7 Hart Harris to Margaret Windsor Bryden  
 Nov. 14 Joseph Sora to Gemma Boratto  
 Nov. 20 Charles Peter Bianchi to Mary Elizabeth Burke  
 Nov. 21 William E. McKie to Evelyn Johnson  
 Dec. 19 James H. Hamlen to Elizabeth Heiskell Armistead

### DEATHS, 1943

Jan. 11 Nora M. (O'Connell) Gebhart, 46 years, 10 months, 8 days  
 Feb. 11 Paul Sumner Lincoln, 84 years, 3 months, 25 days  
 Feb. 14 Sarah A. (Brett) Leighton, 98 years, 2 months  
 Feb. 15 Susan E. (Mann) Sanders, 89 years  
 Mar. 3 Adelaide Louise Wrye, 68 years, 10 months, 8 days  
 Mar. 3 Ardell D. (Stone) Stone, 87 years, 11 months, 10 days  
 Mar. 8 Theodore Olson, 73 years  
 Mar. 11 Blanche Irene (Bennett) Thompson, 69 years, 5 months, 26 days  
 Mar. 13 Ellen (O'Connell) Salmon, 70 years  
 Mar. 23 John J. Doherty, 59 years, 3 months, 25 days  
 Apr. 13 John J. Hogan, 70 years

May 1 Frederick Brown Gleason, 90 years, 7 months  
May 17 Henry G. Stevens, 44 years, 9 months, 20 days  
May 19 Emeline (Blood) Bleakney, 97 years, 11 months  
May 20 Nathan Frederick Wadsworth, 83 years, 1 month,  
    17 days  
July 13 William E. Wentworth, 59 years, 1 month, 29  
    days  
July 23 Andrew W. Fitzgerald, 77 years, 11 months  
Aug. 24 Frank (White) Leblenc, 79 years, 10 days  
Aug. 30 John C. Stone, 91 years, 10 days  
Sept. 26 Clara A. (Benson), Babbitt, 68 years, 9 months,  
    11 days  
Sept. 28 James William Robbins, 59 years, 9 months, 6  
    days  
Oct. 9 Elgen J. Rowe, 73 years, 23 days  
Oct. 12 Loren Kelley, 83 years, 11 months, 4 days  
Oct. 13 John Douglas, 73 years, 10 months, 13 days  
Oct. 22 Annie E. (Quigley) McCloskey, 71 years, 6  
    months, 23 days  
Nov. 8 Colasta (Ricci) Phillipo, 62 years  
Dec. 2 Infant Girl  
Dec. 7 Charles Oscar Misener, 78 years, 4 months, 9  
    days  
Dec. 10 George A. P. Firmin, 36 years, 3 months  
Dec. 31 Louis C. Bertonazzi, 59 years

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. FAIRBANKS,  
Town Clerk

### JURORS' LIST, 1943

Following is the list of persons eligible for Jury duty in 1943 as chosen by the Board of Selectmen:

Name—Occupation	Address
Cameron Bradley, Real Estate	Sears Road
Alfred Backlund, Farmer	White Bagley Road
Russell Johnson, Farmer	Northboro Road
Thomas P. Lindsay, Retired	Main Street
Percival Gilbert, Bond Salesman	Main Street
Brigham K. Watson, Bond Salesman	Oak Hill Road
Charles E. Watkins, Telegraph Operator	Main Street
Francis E. Wood, Salesman	Cottage Street
Robert H. Johnson, Farmer	Oregon Road
Charles Mauro, Carpenter	Winter Street
James F. Telfer, Shipper	East Main Street
Francis Pessini, Machinist	Boston Road
Louis Hinkley, Farmer	Woodland Road
Howard E. Goff, Sr., Bus Driver	Turnpike Road
Henry McAuliffe, Telephone Co.	Marlboro Road
Kenneth Sullivan, Salesman	Lyman Street
Henry Collins, Service Manager	Southville Road
Sylvester I. Hosmer, Miller	School Street
Charles H. Lane, Bond Salesman	Middle Road
Churchill Allen, Farm Superintendent	Flagg Road
Edmund H. Bullard, Salesman	Main Street
Hamilton Armstrong, Guard	East Main Street

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, 1943

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Town, the Annual Report of the Board of Selectmen is hereby submitted.

Regular meetings were held on the first and third Friday evenings of each month. Special Meetings and Hearings were held when necessary.

Mr. Hamilton Armstrong was reappointed Clerk of the Board at the first meeting.

Reports of Departments under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen appear elsewhere in the Town Report.

In March the Board organized with Mr. George H. Burnett, the newly elected member present. Mr. Arthur L. Hosmer was elected Chairman.

The names of Committees and Heads of Departments appointed, appear in the report of the Town Clerk.

Mr. Phillips D. Jones resigned as Chairman of the Southborough Committee on Public Safety and Mr. Hamilton Armstrong was appointed Chairman for the remainder of the term.

Mr. David H. Smith resigned as a trustee of the Library and Mr. Harrison Reinke was appointed for the remainder of the term.

War Damage Insurance was again placed on all Town Buildings.

Mrs. Charles Corbett was appointed as Clerk by the Town Treasurer, and in accordance with law the appointment was approved by the Board of Selectmen.

The drainage project at East Main Street and Boston Road has been completed. Some delay was experienced because of difficulty in getting essential piping and other materials.

We take this opportunity to thank the Headmasters of the Saint Mark's School and the Fay School for the use of the School Swimming Pools during the summer months. The co-operation of the Water Department in this respect was greatly appreciated.

We record the passing of Mr. Charles O. Misener, former member of the Board of Selectmen. He will long be remembered for his faithful service to the Town.

ARTHUR L. HOSMER  
GEORGE A. LABARRE  
GEORGE H. BURNETT

Board of Selectmen

### ANNUAL REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Herewith is presented the Fourteenth Annual Report of the Water Commissioners for the year 1943.

#### Consumption of Water

The total amount pumped for the year was 56,636,000 gallons, or an average of 153,760 gallons daily.

Property owned by the Town used 4,153,000 gallons. (This does not include the Fire Department, Moth Department or Street Department.)

Several property owners outside the pipe lines were supplied with water during the summer and fall.

During the summer months the Fay School swimming pool was opened to the Townspeople. The Water Department filled this pool three times plus adding water several times.

#### Services

Six services were added during the year as follows:

- James Wilensky, Oak Hill Road
- Geno Tomacetti, Southville Road
- George Miller, Turnpike Road

George Baker, Marlborough Road  
Clara Jacobs, Woodland Road  
Alice Sawin, Latisquama Road

#### General

The Fayville Tank was painted during the month of September, with two coats of Red Lead as planned on the inside of the Tank, and one coat of Camouflage paint on the outside.

All main gate valve boxes are raised to the surface of the streets.

There was one call for main line emergency repairs during the winter, this was for a hydrant on Newton Street, which was struck by an automobile about 5:30 A. M.

#### Pumping Station

Some painting has been done in the inside of the station during the year.

The pumping station log has been kept also on operating cost sheet of the truck.

#### Revenue

Income from Water Rates in 1943 amounted to \$18,096.22 as compared to \$15,030.55 in 1942.

CHARLES H. NEWTON  
AUBREY C. ALLEN  
C. EDWARD BAKER  
Board of Water Commissioners

**REPORT OF COLLECTOR FOR THE WATER  
DEPARTMENT**

**WATER SERVICES**

**DR.**

Uncollected Balance 1942 Report	\$133.68
Warrants in 1943	62.07

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\$195.75

**CR.**

Paid Treasurer	\$58.07
Uncollected	137.68

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\$195.75

**WATER RATES**

**DR.**

Uncollected Balance 1942 Report	\$1,862.05
Warrants 1943	17,459.66

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\$19,321.71

**CR.**

Paid Treasurer	\$18,096.22
Abatements	65.08
Uncollected	1,160.41

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\$19,321.71

Respectfully submitted,

MARJORIE F. McDONALD,  
Registrar

## REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

**Inventory of State Standards:**

- One Office Balance
- One Brass Yard Measure
- One set Standard Weights
- One Set Dry Measures
- One Set Liquid Measures

**Inventory of Working Equipment:**

- Sealers Portable Balance
- Twenty 50-lb. Weights
- One Set Brass Weights
- One Set Dry Measures
- One Set Liquid Measures
- One Safe
- Two Seals
- One Drill
- Two Glass Graduates
- Kit of Small Tools

**Work Completed in 1943:**

Weighing Devices Tested	84
Capacity Measures Tested	5
Gasoline Pumps Tested	23
Oil Measuring Pumps Tested	13
Kerosene Measuring Pumps Tested and Sealed	3
Oil Jars Inspected	17
Sealing Fees Collected	\$17.97
Adjusting Fees Collected	\$1.90
Total Fees Turned Over to Town Treasurer	\$19.87

Respectfully submitted,

**H. M. GUNSOLLEY,**  
**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Health hereby submits the following report of its work for 1943:

The annual spring rubbish collection was carried out by the Highway Department but due to the many salvage, tin and paper drives it was felt a fall collection was not needed.

The diphtheria clinic was held during the fall for the first time in three years, the details of this work will be found in the School Nurse's report.

The Well Child Conference scheduled for October had to be cancelled because of the outbreak of scarlet fever and it is hoped the clinic may be held in the spring. Mrs. Baker has very efficiently carried out the follow up work of last year and many health defects early detected have prevented later real trouble.

We have two patients at the Worcester County Sanitarium and cases needing X-ray and treatment have been transported there by Mrs. Baker.

Much preliminary and contact work has been done towards the establishing of a Public Health Nursing Service but we realize the completion of this work will take time and funds.

We regret to announce that Dr. Hugh Folsom will not be a candidate for reelection in the spring because he is no longer a resident of Southborough but he is willing to serve in an advisory capacity.

The contagious disease report for 1943 is as follows:

Chicken Pox	28
Dog Bite	5

German Measles (many more not reported)	37
Measles	22
Mumps	13
Scarlet Fever	10
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	1
Whooping Cough	10
Gonorrhea	1
Syphilis	2
Influenza Meningitis	1
 Cases	 130
The list of Licenses and Permits:	
Store licenses for milk and cream	6
Milk dealers licenses	14
Milk producers licenses	14
Licenses to:	
Pasteurize milk	3
Pick up bones and fats	1
Sell Methyl antifreeze	5
Sell oleomargarine	2
Burial or (removal) permits	24

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH FOLSOM, M.D.

JAMES TELFER, Agent

ROUMELIA HALL BORST, R.N., Clerk

## REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

Your Board of Cemetery Commissioners take pride in presenting to you their report for the year 1943.

This year the Rural Cemetery reached a perfection, seldom attained in a town of our size, due to the excellent teamwork between Superintendent and employees. We feel that we are fortunate in having a Superintendent of proven

ability and are thankful to his two employees for their faithful co-operation in such trying times.

The turnout of town organizations and their assistants on Memorial Day was deeply appreciated by all in attendance and the cemetery was at its best for the occasion.

During the year it was our misfortune to inter the remains of 16 of our town folk and we sympathize with their relatives and friends on their personal loss.

A matter of concern to the Board is the number of sunken graves encountered during the year. This year it was necessary to refill 80 sunken graves at a cost of \$240. We feel this condition could be eliminated by the use of cement grave liners instead of pine boxes. We have inserted an article in the Town Warrant for your consideration to establish a revolving fund for the purchase of grave liners in order that we may have a supply on hand for use when needed.

This year, due to excellent weather in the latter half of the year, we repaired over 400 monuments and stones.

Many of these stones were in a precarious condition and we felt that the expense involved was warranted from a safety standpoint alone, to say nothing of the preservation of the markers of our beloved deceased.

We hope that we may maintain our present high standard during the year 1944.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD C. RAMSDELL, Chairman

PATRICK J. O'REILLY

JOHN J. O'REILLY

**ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR 1943**

Board of Selectmen,

Gentlemen:

Herewith we submit a recapitulation of figures for 1943. Your attention is directed that all the males who have reached the age of 70 years are exempt from the payment of Poll taxes provided the Assessors have on file an application from them.

The Poll taxes of those in the Armed service are also abated under authority given us by Mr. Long's office. Those in the Armed service owning property or Real Estate assessed in the name of their spouse, may make application prior to Feb. 1st, following their entry into the Armed forces, for exemption for Real Estate taxes, and if in the opinion of the Assessors the payment of such tax would constitute a hardship, it may be abated.

For the duration of the war, it appears that there cannot be any increase in valuation and from such papers as we now have on file, requesting unusually large adjustments in regard to valuations.

Considering the above and the fact that no doubt the estimated receipts and available funds for 1944 will be somewhat less, the voters should realize their responsibility in determining the tax rate for the coming year.

During December of this year Miss Nora Roache and Mr. William Davis were appointed by the Assessors as Assistant Assessors.

**Valuation, January 1, 1943:****Personal:**

Stock in trade	\$10,550.00
Machinery	414,275.00
Live stock	52,140.00
Other tangible	86,000.00

**Real Estate:**

Land	609,045.00
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Buildings	1,788,965.00
Excise tax	4,053.60
<b>Abatements and Exemptions:</b>	
1943:	
Real Estate	1,046.83
1941:	
Personal	6.20
1943:	
Poll Tax	404.00
1942:	
Poll Tax	4.00
1939:	
Poll Tax	2.00
1943:	
Excise Tax	38.05
1942:	
Excise Tax	46.80

**1943 RECAPITULATION**

Total appropriations	\$138,592.01
Voted to be taken from available funds	3,750.00
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	\$154,642.01
Debt and Interest Charges (not included in above)	\$500.00
State Tax	2,750.00
State Parks and Reservations	80.83
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	.25
Boston Edison Refund	113.58
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County Tax	4,429.08
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	2,133.63
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Overlay of current year	6,562.71
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Gross Amount to be raised	3,415.72
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	\$168,065.10

**ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS**

Income Tax	\$10,896.79
Corporation Taxes	4,935.97
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	4,500.00

Licenses	600.00
Grants and Gifts	2,700.00
General Government	100.00
Protection of Persons and Property	150.00
Charities (other than federal grants for aid to dependent children)	1,100.00
Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants)	6,000.00
Old Age (Meals)	353.79
Schools	3,800.00
Libraries	20.00
Public Service Enterprises	14,000.00
Cemeteries (other than trust funds and sale of lots)	1,200.00
Interest	750.00
Metropolitan, in lieu of taxes	3,416.56
Total Estimated Receipts	\$54,523.11
Moth Tax	202.22
Amounts voted to be taken from available funds:	
December 11, 1942	\$3,750.00
March 19, 1943	12,500.00
March 19, 1943	4,000.00
Total Available Funds	\$20,250.00
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$74,773.11
Net Amount to be raised by Taxation on Polls and Property	\$93,291.99
No. of Polls—751 at \$2.00 each	\$1,502.00
Total Valuation, Personal Property	\$562,965.00
Tax Rate \$31.00	17,451.92
Real Estate \$2,398,010.00	
Tax Rate \$31.00	74,338.31
Adjust Overlay	24
Total Taxes levied on Polls and Property	\$93,291.99
Tax Rate fixed on March 19, 1943.	

RALPH H. CLARK  
 HERBERT E. BANFILL  
 Board of Assessors

## REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

Following is the report of the Police Department for the year 1943:

Accidents investigated	11
Cars checked for traffic violations	43
Stolen cars recovered	1
Summons served	19
Break and entering investigated	7
Other investigations	67
Arrests	18
Doors found open in business places	22
Emergency cases taken to hospital in cruiser	3

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. GIFFIN,  
Chief of Police

## REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

February 9, 1944

Board of Selectmen,  
Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1943:

- 70 calls made to force payment of licenses
- 11 strays picked up on calls, board and disposal attended to
- 15 nuisance calls
- 3 livestock damage

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. JOHNSON,  
Dog Officer

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND  
THE BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE**

To the Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.  
Gentlemen:

The Board of Public Welfare and Bureau of Old Age Assistance submits the following report of its work for the year ending Dec. 31, 1943.

Expenditures for General Relief	\$3,307.33
Collections turned into the Treasury	795.76

Net cost of General Relief to Town	\$2,511.57
Expenditures for Old Age Assistance	\$18,290.14
Reimbursements: Federal Government; State, City and Towns	13,734.42

Net cost of Old Age Assistance to Town	\$4,555.72
Expenditures for Aid to Dependent Children	\$1,353.63
Reimbursement: Federal Government and State	767.00

Net cost of Aid to Dependent Children to Town	\$586.63
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Our General Relief has dropped practically 50% in the past two years. The numbers on our roles are at a minimum at this time, although some of the individual cases require large amounts.

Our Old Age Assistance has dropped in numbers due to deaths and the administration of Chapter 489 of the General Laws of Massachusetts as passed on June 8, 1943. However, our expenditures remain about the same owing to increases in budget allowances by the State, due to the increased living costs.

This past year we have added to our Department, as Agent for our Board, as part-time worker, Mrs. J. M. Smith. She is enrolled under Civil Service and does all of the investigation and detail work for the Board. The expenses

of this work have been paid almost entirely by the Governmental Reimbursement for Administration and by the reduction of the Welfare Board's own salary from \$400.00 to \$150.00 per year. It has proved to be a very wise and helpful step forward in the administration of Public Welfare and Old Age Assistance in this Town.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN BURNETT, Chairman  
ROBERT H. JOHNSON  
RUTH W. HARRINGTON

Board of Public Welfare and  
Bureau of Old Age Assistance

#### **REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1943.

The moth work during the past year consisted of creosoting gypsy moth nests during the winter months. Later during May and June all road side shade trees were given a thorough spraying in order to keep these pests under control.

The Fall Web Moth made its appearance this fall in large numbers.

This pest, however, is not a serious one and may not appear again for several years.

Eighty-eight private orchards were sprayed during the season.

Respectfully submitted,  
WILLIAM H. ONTHANK,  
Moth Superintendent

## REPORT ON SOUTHBOROUGH SERVICE MEN'S FUND

All 75 overseas boxes which were ordered sent out. An estimate of 130 domestic boxes proved to leave a surplus of 7, and 2 were returned, so there are on hand 9 boxes. These contain nothing perishable, so are being kept for future use. Three men could not be located. Over 60 have acknowledged receipt of their gifts, and letters written directly to the Town have been placed in a book in Fay Library. Four men (or their families) requested that they be sent only Christmas cards, as they felt that the men on active service should receive the boxes.

GEORGE H. BURNETT, Chairman  
ELLA C. A. EATON, Secretary  
MARGARET OVESON, Treasurer  
HAMILTON ARMSTRONG  
JOHN W. BOLAND  
WILLIAM J. COLLEARY  
JOSEPH DELARDA  
FRANK FITZGERALD  
ARTHUR L. HOSMER  
ALICE L. TWOMBLY

### Contents

#### OVERSEAS BOX

S. S. Pierce Co.

- 1 lb. pkg. Epicure Fruit Cake.
- 4½ oz. pkg. Salted Cashews
- 6 oz. pkg. Assorted Toffee Candy
- 1 individual jar Overland Jelly
- 1 pkg. Melba Toast
- 3 cakes Maple Sugar
- 3 pks. S. S. P. Cigarettes
- 1 pack Playing Cards
- 1 tube Tooth Paste
- 1 Service Man's Letter Book
- 2 Pencils
- 1 Pocket Book (Fiction)
- 1 Mending Kit

**DOMESTIC BOX**  
**R. H. Stearns Co.**

- 1 bottle After Shave Lotion
- 1 Sewing Kit
- 1 pack Playing Cards
- 1 cake Soap
- 1 Pocket Book (Fiction)
- 1 box Shoe Polish
- 1 Polish Cloth
- 1 Address Book

Special gifts sent to:

- men not in active service
- women in service

**SOUTHBOROUGH SERVICE MEN'S FUND**

**Receipts**

Individual donations	\$589.04
Store coin boxes	34.54
Firemen's Block Dance	354.21
Firemen's Dance, November 11	117.70
Red Cross	100.00
Knights of Columbus	26.61
Farmers' Club	25.00
Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary	5.00

\$1,252.10

**Expenditures**

75 overseas boxes, parcel post and ins.	\$390.08
130 domestic boxes, and parcel post	497.66
24 special gifts, and parcel post	75.94
January, 1944, Balance on hand	\$288.42

  

	\$963.68
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This balance is being kept as a permanent fund, with the hope that it may be added to by organizations and individuals throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET OVESON,  
 Treasurer

## REPORT OF FIRE CHIEF

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:  
Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year 1943.

During the year the department answered 115 calls as follows:

Chimney Fires	6
Buildings	13
Autos	4
False or needless	1
Brush Fires	62
Still Alarms	17
All other calls	7
Out of Town calls	5

During the year there were 32 meetings held and fire drills were carried on as in the past.

The civilian defense unit has been functioning and some equipment has been received from the government; this has been placed to the best advantage for the town.

During the year there were 22,700 ft. of hose laid and 308 ft. of ladders raised.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. BOLAND,  
Fire Chief

## REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for 1943.

During the year there were 62 fires that burned over an area of 257 acres. This is the worst fire record this town has had for a good many years. A great many of these fires were due to carelessness.

I am taking this opportunity to urge the people of Southborough to be especially careful when burning this year, as this department is short of help and a small fire may be very serious.

I would like to draw your attention to the fact that the law prohibits burning in the open from April 1st to June 1st. Owing to last year's record it will be necessary to enforce this law very strictly this year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. BOLAND,  
Forest Warden

#### **REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.  
Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1943.

No regular farm to farm inspection was made during the past year. This inspection was omitted by order of the State Department of Animal Industry in order to conserve gasoline and tires.

However a cattle census was taken during July and August showing a drop of over one hundred head of cattle from the previous year.

Since that time a large number of "Out of State" cattle have been shipped in, so that we now have over a hundred head more than in 1942.

"Out of State" cattle released from quarantine	223
Cases of rabies	0
Number of persons bitten by dogs	8
Number of cattle reacting to tuberculin test	3

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. ONTHANK,  
Inspector of Animals

**REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Gentlemen:

The labor shortage was a serious handicap to the Highway Department this year but the maintenance work was carried on as much as possible.

There were 300' 18" and 140' 12" Concrete Pipe installed, six catchbasins and two manholes constructed on Boston Road, East Main and Winchester Streets.

There was new drainage construction on Main Street, Flagg and Southville Roads. Also relaying of drain pipes on Pleasant and Winter Streets.

The Highway Department men worked 2887 man hours for farmers, townspeople, and other town departments who requested help.

The Highway trucks worked 120 hours and covered 775 miles in 10 Scrap Drives.

Due to the scarcity of labor I recommend the town purchase a Power Sand Spreader to spread sand on Tar and Asphalt.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. SEALEY

Superintendent of Streets

**REPORT OF TREE WARDEN**

Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for 1943.

The only tree work that was done this year was what was absolutely necessary, such as removal of dead branches or the topping of dangerous trees. This was due to the labor situation which I hope in the coming year will be eased. As soon as labor becomes plentiful, considerable more work

will have to be done as there has been no normal high tree trimming for the past two years.

The spraying was thoroughly done. The Dutch Elm disease is increasing in the western part of the state and is now spread pretty well over Berkshire County. Because of this, special attention was given to the spraying of elms in order to eradicate, if possible, any beetles that might be harbored in the bark of these trees.

There is a slight increase in the budget for the coming year as it has been necessary to buy arsenate of lead, which was omitted from the budget last year, as the carry-over from 1941 was sufficient.

A statement of expenditures and receipts will be found in the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY BURNETT,  
Tree Warden

#### REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 71, we hereby submit our annual report.

The planning board has felt that, due to travel restrictions and war time conditions which would prevent proper attendance at hearings, the time was not appropriate to hold hearings relative to the proposed zoning laws presented to the town in the 1943 Annual Report.

The planning board has devoted its time in revising and improving the aforementioned zoning laws.

Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month.

Respectfully submitted,

ERWIN L. SMITH, Chairman

WALLACE N. NELSON

J. RUSSELL WAKELIN

EDWARD T. TEDESCHI, Secretary

**REPORT OF LIBRARIAN**

Number of volumes in Library	22,034
Added during year	377
Purchased	302
Donated	75
Total circulation	34,196
Total circulation in Southborough	24,845
Total circulation in Fayville	4,389
Total circulation in Southville	4,962
Miss Reagan's Room, South Union School	292
Fines	\$15.00

**Southborough**

Total circulation	22,845
Largest month—April	2,853
Smallest month—August	1,453
Total circulation in Fiction	22,494
Adult	19,936
Juvenile	2,558
Total circulation in Non-Fiction	1,647
Adult	1,436
Juvenile	211
Total circulation in Current Periodicals	546
Adult	289
Juvenile	257
Total attendance	8,731
Adult	4,545
Juvenile	4,186

**Fayville**

Total circulation	4,389
Total Juvenile Fiction	1,554
Total Adult Fiction	1,517
Total Non-Fiction	322
Total Current Periodicals	996
Total attendance	1,527
Juvenile	1,165
Adult	362

**Southville**

Total circulation	4,962
Total Juvenile Fiction	1,394
Total Adult Fiction	2,161
Total Non-Fiction	435
Total Current Periodicals	972
Miss Reagan's Room	292
Total attendance	1,641
Juvenile	842
Adult	799

SARAH V. STIVERS, Librarian

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**OF THE**

## **School Committee**

**OF**

**Southborough, Massachusetts**

**For the Year Ending December 31**

**1943**



## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Your Committee submits respectfully its report for the year 1943:

In accordance with the program of keeping the school properties in safe condition and good repair it has been necessary to do a considerable amount of work during the past year.

The fire escapes on the High School Building have been completely repaired and a new fire escape door was installed in the gymnasium. The obsolete wiring and electrical fixtures in the Manual Training room were replaced completely with a modern system, thus eliminating a serious safety hazard.

The High School Building was painted two coats on the outside, the stucco portions repaired, and the windows weatherstripped and reputtied throughout.

Hot water has been piped into the Domestic Science kitchen and a much-needed gas stove and dishwashing machine furnished for the use of the Domestic Science Department and Cafeteria. New tables have been secured for the sewing room, and additional tools and equipment for the Manual Training Department.

The furnaces in the High School Building have been equipped with regulators and their use has resulted in considerable saving of fuel. In the Annex new curtains have been installed.

At the South Union School two new ventilators were provided and the driveway tarred.

For details as to the academic progress of the school system we refer you to the reports of the Superintendent and Principal.

During these trying times we are proud to report that the School System has been functioning most satisfactorily, and again this year the Committee expresses its appreciation to Superintendent Henry G. Blount, Principal Albert S. Woodward, and the Teaching and Maintenance Staffs for their faithful service and complete cooperation.

Respectfully,

EDMUND H. BULLARD  
PAUL J. REDMOND  
JAMES G. STOCKWELL

[REDACTED]

**IN MEMORIAM**

In behalf of all we wish to express deep sympathy to the Family of Mr. William E. Wentworth, who for many years served the Southborough Schools in a kindly and faithful manner.

EDMUND H. BULLARD  
PAUL J. REDMOND  
JAMES G. STOCKWELL

[REDACTED]

To the Southborough School Committee,

Dear Sirs:

It gives me pleasure to submit the report of the Superintendent of Schools which is the eighteenth in my series of annual reports.

A great deal of concern is felt in school administrative circles throughout the Commonwealth over the maintenance of an adequate supply of teachers. In the fields of physical education, mathematics, sciences, and manual arts there is known to be a definite shortage of instructors at the present time. According to a report issued by the Department of Education of the Commonwealth dated December, 1943 there are one hundred twenty-seven positions unfilled and three hundred eighty-six teachers in service who do not meet the requirements which are expected in normal times. The surplus of teachers existing in normal times has been practically exhausted. This condition has led to a sharp rise in salaries particularly during the past year. In addition, the minimum salary fixed by law has risen to \$1,000.00 in towns whose valuation is less than \$2,500.00 and to \$1,200.00 in other towns and cities. The report also shows that the average salary of high school instructors was approximately \$1,400.00 during the school year 1942-1943 and that the highest salary paid was \$2,700.00 in towns whose population is less than 5,000.

February, 1943, Miss Helen Gardner resigned and Mrs. Hazel Fuller was elected to fill the vacancy. Mrs. Fuller is a teacher of experience. Miss Carolyn Smith, teacher of French and English, resigned in June to enter the business field and she was replaced by Miss Judith Brooks. Miss Anne Pignatelli, who resigned in June, was replaced by Mr. John Meegan as instructor of science. Mr. Meegan also assumed duty as instructor of physical education. Miss Delia Davis resigned in June and was replaced by Miss Effie Vranos. Miss Olive Draper, teacher of Grade IV at Peters High School, resigned, to be replaced by Mrs. Margaret Cronin.

The attendance has been interrupted to a considerable extent by illness in all of the schools. This is a condition that multiplies the responsibilities of teachers since it requires that a great deal of classroom work missed has to be made up. This problem has been met and the year's work rounded out satisfactorily.

The high school enrollment has dropped considerably due to the enlistment and drafting of boys and to the fact that boys attracted by the good wages paid have entered industrial plants. This trend away from high school is characteristic of all high schools everywhere and in all probability smaller enrollments are to be expected for the duration.

The sale of War Savings Stamps and Bonds has continued through 1943 in all grades. The administration of this program reflects credit on the teachers. Pupils are setting up savings accounts that will be of real service in the future and what is more commendable are exhibiting a high order of patriotic service. Two schools, Fayville and Cordaville, have been honored with the Treasury Flag for having met a fixed quota of sales.

In October the teachers of the public schools assisted by citizens of Southborough distributed War Ration Book 4. Approximately two thousand books were given out. Appreciation for the help rendered by Southborough residents is herewith expressed.

Lunch has been served at the High School to all pupils desiring it and milk at all of the town's schools. In September the number of meals served at the High School rose considerably. Here balanced meals are served at a nominal cost since a portion of the cost is reimbursed through the Federal Community Lunch Program.

I wish to convey to the Committee my appreciation of the opportunity of serving with them in promoting the interests of the public schools.

Teachers have carried on under difficult conditions with admirable patience and resourcefulness. I should like to express to each teacher and principal by heartiest appreciation of their good work.

Your attention is called to the reports of the High School Principal, the school health examination, and the reports of the Drawing supervisor and supervisor of Music.

Respectfully submitted,  
 H. G. BLOUNT,  
 Superintendent of Schools

### MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

Year Ending June, 1943

	Elementary	High School	Total
Pupils enrolled	260	90	350
Non-resident pupils	24	3	27
Average daily attendance	232	82	314
Average membership	251	88	339
Percent of attendance	92.4	93.2	92.6

### ENROLLMENT, OCTOBER 1, 1943

Grade	Fayville	Peters High	South Union	Total
1	5	17	13	35
2	4	12	11	27
3	11	13	10	34
4		25	13	38
5		22	9	31
6		22	11	33
7		28	12	40
8		18	8	26
High School		83	83	83

## ROSTER OF TEACHERS

Name	School	Graduate of	Subjects or Grade	Salary
Albert Woodward, Prin.	High School	Tufts College	Mathematics	\$3,000
Gene Insani	High School	Castine Normal School	Manual Arts	1,600
Genevieve Bagley	High School	Boston College	English, Latin	1,400
Eva Hayward	High School	Burdett College	Commercial	1,600
Carolyn Smith *	High School	W. Maryland University	French, English	1,000
Effie Vranos	High School	Boston University	Social Science	1,200
Anne Pignatelli **	High School	R. I. State College	Science	1,250
Delia Davis ***	High School	Bates College	Social Science	1,150
Marie Brady	High School	Framingham T. College	Domestic Arts	1,200
Mary Finn	High School	Framingham T. College	Grade VI	1,600
Florence Finn	High School	Framingham T. College	Grade V	1,400
Olive Draper ****	High School	Gorham Normal School	Grade IV	1,000
Dorothy Wilbur	High School	Worcester T. College	Grade III	1,350
Mary Hayes	High School	Framingham T. College	Grades I, II	1,400
Judith Brooks	High School	Wellesley College 1938	French, English	1,450
John Meegan	High School	Holy Cross College	Science, Arithmetic	1,700
Julia Gleason	South Union	Framingham T. College	Grades 7, 8	1,680
Helen Gardner *****	South Union	Worcester T. College	Grades 4, 5, 6	1,000
Hazel Fuller	South Union	Framingham T. College	Grades 4, 5, 6	1,200
Margaret Cronin	High School	Framingham T. College	Grade 4	1,200
Mary Reagan	South Union	Framingham T. College	Grades 1, 2, 3	1,500
Margaret Neary	Fayville	Framingham T. College	Grades 1, 2, 3	1,600
Marguerette Peaslee		Various Arts Institutions	Drawing	425
Elvira Sammis		Boston University	Music	425
W. L. Rinehart		School of Music	Penmanship	300
* Resigned June 22, 1943				
** Resigned June 22, 1943				
*** Resigned June 22, 1943				
**** Resigned June 22, 1943				
***** Resigned February 5, 1943				

**REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF PETERS' HIGH SCHOOL**

Mr. Henry G. Blount,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Southborough, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

Herewith I submit my annual report for the High School for the school year ending December 31, 1943.

At the beginning of the school year in September, the enrollment showed about an eight per cent drop over the year before.

There have been three changes in our teaching staff. Miss Brooks takes the place of Miss Smith in English and French; Mr. Meegan takes the place of Miss Pignatelli in the Arithmetic and the Sciences; and Miss Vranos takes the place of Miss Davis in History and Geography.

The average daily attendance in the High School has shown a decided drop through the months of November and December due to the prevailing epidemic of colds and mild cases of flu. We had no epidemic of measles, mumps or other infectious or contagious diseases.

Due to gasoline rationing, our athletic activities have been confined to basketball for both boys and girls. Mr. Insani has coached both the boys and girls in basketball. A schedule of ten games for the boys and eight games for the girls has been arranged. We hope that baseball may again be played in the coming spring.

For the first time, a physical program for boys and girls has been instituted under the direction of Miss Brady for the girls and Mr. Meegan for the boys. These classes meet twice a week for three quarters of an hour. The girls have gymnastics, dancing and basketball. The boys have setting-up exercises, basketball for four teams made up of all the boys. One of the days the boys have military drill in the St. Mark's cage under the direction of St. Mark's masters and older boys. Mr. Meegan has supervision over them while at St. Mark's cage.

Practically all the Senior boys are taking either Algebra, Review Mathematics or Trigonometry. They are also enrolled in the course in Physics. These subjects are in line with the needs of the Army for a boy's advancement when he is inducted for service.

This year the name of our school paper was changed to Peters Piper. It is being edited by the Senior Class under the direction of Miss Hayward and Miss Brooks, and is being done well.

The lunchroom is sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association under the plan laid down by the government through the State Department of Education. So far it has proved to be very satisfactory, although it entails a considerable amount of bookkeeping and government reports. Mrs. Robbins and Mrs. Woodward do the planning and preparing of the meals. Mrs. Watkins assists on four days a week. So far an average of 130 pupils a day have patronized the lunch. The cost of the lunch is fifteen cents for pupils in grades 7 through 12 and twelve cents for pupils in grades 1 through 6.

In the manual training department, model airplanes have been made. They were accepted by the Army Air Corps located at Middletown, Pennsylvania. Some of the boys are still making airplanes, while others are making book ends, wall shelves, boats, footstools, necktie racks, nut and fruit bowls, and letter holders. Some mechanical drawings on different projects have also been made.

In the Domestic Science classes, blouses, dresses, jumpers, one evening gown, and dickies have been made. They are now working on a second project, making skirts.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the School Committee for their help and support, the teachers for their cooperation, and Mr. Blount for his many helpful suggestions and advice.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. WOODWARD, Principal

## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Mr. Henry G. Blount,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Southborough, Massachusetts.

My Dear Mr. Blount:

Once again I have the distinct pleasure to submit my annual report as Supervisor of Music of the schools of Southborough, Massachusetts.

In days such as these we come more to fully realize the more valuable things in life. Music is one of these great values, for it is one of the best and simplest of all expressions of man.

The American people have come to greater realize, that through the exponent of music, great values might be given their children.

Once again I would like to repeat one of my strong beliefs—Music contributes to the general aims of education, namely: health, command of fundamental processes, worthy home membership, vocations, citizenship, worthy use of leisure time, ethical character and the like.

I shall give a general outline for the school music program once again:

In the lower grades is begun the foundation for music through the medium of musical experiences, musical reactions, participation, listening and discussion. During the early grades a great deal of rote singing is used. The technical matters of music are introduced in the second grade and gradually progressed throughout all the grades. These are presented in such a manner which is understandable to a child with a given age, and correlative with his other studies. The following essentials are emphasized throughout the whole program, namely: tone quality, intonation, diction, phrasing, balance, and rhythm. Individual work is strongly encouraged in all grades. Part singing is introduced late in the fourth grade and advanced accordingly.

In the Junior High School, the program introduced in the lower grades is fully developed. Hence, there is not a separate program, but a continued one. The main emphasis is based on chorus singing. The period in which a junior high school pupil is passing is quite a difficult one. Music is an important factor in his mental and emotional development. The material used in the Junior High School is of a matured nature. It is a material that appeals to the interest and enjoyment of the junior high school pupil.

In the Senior High School there is organized a mixed chorus to take adequate care of the musical needs and interests of students of their age.

We are indeed very fortunate to have this great value offered to the school children of Southborough, Massachusetts. The teachers, who so ably carry on the program, deserve the greatest of praise.

Once again, I wish to express my grateful appreciation to you, my Superintendent, the School Committee, the teachers, and the townspeople for all assistance, support, and co-operation at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

ELVIRA P. SAMMIS,  
Music Supervisor

#### REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. H. G. Blount,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Southborough, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Blount:

It gives me great pleasure to submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1943.

Two dental clinics were held.

Number of—

Children receiving some dental care	111	105
Children with work completed	94	95
Fillings	173	140

Extractions	51	33
Cleanings	110	102

It is gratifying to notice how much less work there is to be done when children's teeth have regular dental care.

Dr. Folsom conducted a Diphtheria Prevention Clinic in May, 1943. Seventy-eight children were immunized.

The usual Well Child Conference was not held due to scarlet fever outbreak. We hope to hold one in the spring.

The annual physical and dental examinations were held in September. Dr. Folsom stressed the importance of posture to good health.

Two girls were sent to Sterling Health for the summer.

The school census was taken in October.

We have had a large number of cases of contagious disease—measles, whooping cough, German measles and scarlet fever, also seven cases of pediculosis.

I would like, at this time, to stress to parents the importance of not sending their children back to school too soon after they have been sick. No one can work properly when they are half well and good health is far more important than good marks.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation of the fine co-operation I receive from you, the teachers and the parents.

Yours truly,

MARY A. BAKER, R.N.

#### REPORT OF ART SUPERVISOR

Mr. Henry G. Blount,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Southborough, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit for your consideration my annual report as Art Supervisor of the Southborough Schools.

In conference with other supervisors of art, the various methods of teaching and presenting art programs has been under discussion. The modern progressive approach is favored by some, but invariably the older method of teaching

the fundamentals is given preference over the new idea of absolute free expression. This has its place, and in some instances excellent results are produced. The children do enjoy expressing themselves but need guidance. A happy medium seems to work better in our system. This is a good solid foundation in all the fundamental principles first, and creative work later.

One of the interesting projects this year was making Victory Garden Posters. The subject was thoroughly discussed, first with many enlightening points for all concerned. All the grades participated in the activity. We hope their endeavors carried over to the homes and proved a source of inspiration to parents and neighbors in this national undertaking.

We endeavor to have problems and projects that are pertinent to the times in subject matter and interest. This includes problems to do with our South American neighbors, our allies, and anything pertaining to the service or national affairs. In many instances these projects correlate the art with music, history, geography, health, civics and even arithmetic. I feel that whenever possible we have a much more valuable art program if we can, even indirectly, intertwine our work with other subjects in the curriculum. This is true also if we try to meet needs of our own community.

My most sincere appreciation to you as Superintendent of Schools, the School Board, the teachers, and townspeople, for cooperation at all times.

Respectfully submitted,  
MARGUERETE ELLIOTT PEASLEE

**GRADUATION PROGRAM — CLASS OF 1943  
PETERS HIGH SCHOOL**

**PROCESSIONAL**

PRAYER by Rev. Edward W. Lewis, Pastor of Pilgrim Congregational Church

GIRLS CHORUS, "American Loyalty" Walker-Knott  
ESSAY, (Second Honor) The Builders of America

Robert Renaud

ESSAY, Electra Reads History June Hatch

GIRLS CHORUS, "Praise We Our Lord" Verdi

ESSAY, The Defenders of America Dean Lewis

ESSAY, (First Honor) Past, Present, and Future of Aviation William Jackson

CHORUS, "America," Anthem from the Symphony  
"America"

**PRESENTATION OF SENIOR PRIZES**

ADDRESS Mr. Harrison Reinke, Headmaster, Fay School  
PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

Mr. Edmund H. Bullard, Chairman of School Committee  
CLASS SONG

**RECESSIONAL MARCH**

MUSICAL DIRECTOR Miss Elvira Foti  
MARSHAL William Maley

**HONOR GRADUATES**

June M. Hatch Robert L. Renaud

William M. Jackson, Jr. Raymond J. Tomasetti

**CLASS OF 1943**

**COLLEGE COURSE**

Grace M. Bogert Phyllis G. Giffin

Jannette Virginia Finn William M. Jackson, Jr.

Robert L. Renaud

**COMMERCIAL COURSE**

June M. Hatch Raymond J. Tomasetti

